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Alabama

# BIRMINGHAM FRATERNAL LEADER DIES

2-25-33

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 23 — Dr. I. B. Kigh, prominent in professional and fraternal circles and owner of Birmingham's first colored drug store, succumbed here last week after a two year's illness. Sixth Avenue Baptist Church, and was connected with the Masons, Pythians and Elks, and took an active part in civic and charity

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Lexington, Ky., Leader  
September 2, 1933

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He lived an upright, clean, industrious, honest, helpful life and died honored and respected by all who knew him. He was a good American, a sincere Christian, a worthy citizen — a striking example of what character will do for a man. He took his place in every community where he lived, made no pretenses, asked for no favors, treated everyone squarely, worked hard, saved and invested his earnings, gave freely to education and charity, and left behind a good name.

That he should have thus made his way out of slavery, out of ignorance, and out of poverty with so little assistance and encouragement or incentive, is remarkable. He has set before the young men of his race with advantages far greater than any which he ever enjoyed, an example of honesty, frugality, industry, and self-respect which should help all who know of what he accomplished.

# DEATH CLAIMS WIFE OF DEAN AT TUSKEGEE

6-4-33

Mrs. Emily Williams Was  
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Fund Field Agent

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE  
(ANP) — Mrs. Emily Wil-  
liams, wife of W. T. B.  
Williams, dean of the col-  
lege at Tuskegee institute  
and field agent for the Jeannes  
fund and Slater board, died here  
September 2, after an illness of sev-

eral months.

Mrs. Williams had been a teacher of English in the college department from its organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams came to Tuskegee from Hampton Institute 14 years ago. During that time Mrs. Williams was closely associated with all of the cultural movements and activities for civic betterment here.

She was the founder and first president of the Pierian Literary society, organizer and president of the local graduate chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, chairman of the local Better Homes committee and vice president of the Tuskegee Women's club.

She has served as recording secretary of the National Association of Colored Women, vice president at large of the Alabama State Federation of Colored Women and was a member of the Council of Women of the Darker Races.

Mrs. Williams was born in Detroit 59 years ago. She was graduated from the University of Michigan in 1896. She served as a teacher of French in Minor Normal school at Washington, and was the first woman principal of Armstrong Manual Training school there. Upon her marriage to W. T. B. Williams she gave up her work in Washington to make her home at Hampton institute.

She is survived by her husband, two sisters, Mrs. Webb of Chicago, and Mrs. Cleland of Nashville, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held in the Institute chapel. Rev. Byrd Lee, rector of St. Andrews Episcopal mission of which the deceased was a member, was in charge, assisted by Rev. John Whittaker, retired chaplain and the Rev. Harry Richardson.

Mrs. Williams was buried in the cemetery adjoining the chapel, where Booker T. Washington lies.

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Mt. Sterling, Ky., Gazette Courier

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# Dr. F. A. Sumner, Talladega President Emeritus Dies

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(P)—Dr. Frederick Azel Sumner, 69, president emeritus of Talladega College, Talladega, Ala., and a congregational clergyman, died at the home of a sister-in-law in Hoboken, N. J., today.

Dr. Sumner, who was born at Eastford, Conn., retired last June after 17 years' service at Talladega. Under his administration the institution became the second negro college to receive a grade "A" rating from the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

# HIGH HONORS ARE PAID TO BISHOP R. T. BROWN

Thousands of people, members of both races, laymen and clergy bowed their heads in respect to Bishop Robert Turner Brown, A.M., M.D., D.D., Presiding Bishop of the Fourth Episcopal District of the C. M. E. Church, as his body was taken from the auditorium of Brown's Hall, at Miles Memorial College, Monday morning, after receiving his M.D. degree with Cum Laude. For a few years he practised medicine in Nashville, Clarksville and Jackson, Tenn. He was married to Miss Effie Utley of Nashville, from 530 North First Street, following this union two children were born, a son and daughter. He entered the ministry and pastored his first church at Clarksville, Tenn. His fund of knowledge covered a large field, and in recognition of ability in 1889 he was where sorrowing crowds of students made Secretary of Missions and later The Editor of "The Christian Index." He formerly of Birmingham, Ala., and acquaintance, who knew of his worth was consecrated to the bishopric in 1922. He traveled extensively abroad, than a year, died here today following passed his bier as it lay in state in visiting many important countries. He a long illness and will be buried Saturday in the auditorium of Brown's Hall, one was elected president of Miles Memorial College, the school he had helped which he had caused to be erected.

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**Bishops and General Officers Officiate** new buildings. Several years after practiced medicine in that city for sively carried out, there were present the death of his first wife he was quite 30 years old. He was prominent in Republican ficials of the C. M. E. Church. Rev. L. S. White was master of ceremonies. Music was furnished by Theirgood C. M. E. Church; invocation, Bishop E. Cottrell of Holly Springs, Miss.; Scripture reading, 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians, Bishop R. A. Carter, Chicago; remarks were made by Dr. J. H. Moore, General Secretary of Missions, Holly Springs, Miss. The laymen of the Church were represented by Mr. E. F. Durr; and the Missionary Societies by Mrs. Mattie Mitchell; Schools and Colleges by Dr. J. F. Lane, Dean of Lane College, Jackson, Tenn. (Dr. Lane was in the city Sunday, but could not remain over). A solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," was sung by Mrs. Lillian Stone Moore. The Obituary was read by Bishop J. W. McKinney of Texas. The funeral oration was delivered by Bishop J. Arthur Hamlett of Kansas City, Kan., who used as his text, "Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me, shall never

die." A solo, "No Night There," was Porter, Manager of Publishing House, sung by Miss Rena Averette. Remarks and Prof. G. F. Porter, Financial Sec- were made by Mr. Gillett, mayor of retary, Jackson, Tenn.; Dr. T. H. Fairfield. Miss Gregory Durr at the Copeland, General Secretary of Super-piano played as a recessional "Going annuated Preachers, Widows and Or-Home." Interment was made at Mason phans; Rev. L. L. Lane, Columbus, City Cemetery, with Welch Brothers Miss.; Prof. W. M. Frazier, Dean and in charge. There were a great volume Manager of M. and I. College, Miss.; of telegrams and letters of sympathy Dr. J. A. Bray, Secretary of Education, from all parts of the country, and Chicago; Rev. R. L. Young, Meridian, Miss.; Rev. J. L. Talbert, Pastor San-ders Chapel, Columbus Miss.; Rev. W.

native of Courtland, Alabama, Law-phis, Tenn.; Dr. F. K. Davis, Touga-rence County, worked on the farm loo, Miss. District; D. M. Montgomery, Holly Springs, Miss.; Rev. H. C. Ewing and Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Brad-ley, Greenwood, Miss.; Dr. J. F. Lane, Jackson, Tenn.; Mrs. S. Sykes of De-medicine at Maharry Medical College, catur; Mose McKissack of Nashville Tenn.

## Obituary

Bishop Robert Turner Brown was a native of Courtland, Alabama, Lawrence County, worked on the farm with his parents. Received his A.B. degree from Walden University, after teaching a while returned to Nashville, Tenn., and finished a course in Jackson, Tenn.; Mrs. S. Sykes of De-medicine at Maharry Medical College, catur; Mose McKissack of Nashville Tenn.

## DR. U. G. MASON CLAIMED BY DEATH

*Reporter*

10-7-33

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 5.—Special to The Reporter.—Dr. U. G. Mason, formerly of Birmingham, Ala., and who has been in Chicago for more than a year, died here today following a long illness and will be buried Saturday in the Knights of Pythias of Birmingham, with the Knights of Pythias of Alabama, serving that organization in the capacity of Endowment Treasurer for more than 20 years. His effort to maintain his administration was punctured with many bitter experiences from which the Order of Knights of Pythias suffered greatly.

Dr. R. T. Brown, M.D., Mrs. A. G. Dobbins, widow of the late Prof. A. G. Dobbins, five grandchildren and a host of friends. Dr. Mason was born in the city of Birmingham in the section known as Sayreton, and his family widely known.

## Out-of-Town People Noted

He is survived by his widow and five children, and a number of other relatives. The burial will be made in Chicago.

Among the out-of-town people noted at the funeral were Bishop J. C. Martin, Memphis, Tenn.; Bishop E. Cottrell, Holly Springs, Miss.; Bishop R. A. Carter, Chicago; Dr. J. H. Moore, Holly Springs, Miss.; Bishop J. W. McKinney, Texas; Bishop J. Arthur Hamlett, Kansas City, Kan.; Dr. H. P.

# EX-RICHEST *Archie* NEGRO DIES

5-12-33

J. B. Key Pioneer Business Man Who Built A Fortune In Oklahoma, Expires

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 11—(AN P) The entire Negro population of this aristocratic western city was stunned Friday when the death of John B. Key widely known financier and business man, was announced.

Well known throughout America as a shrewd business man, particularly in the South, Southwest and West, Key amassed great wealth in Oklahoma where he migrated from Alabama, his home state, many years ago.

#### Built A Fortune

Coming to Oklahoma when a young man to seek a fortune, Key filed for a homestead at Guthrie, Oklahoma. He began to lease and buy land until at one time he had many thousand acres under his control and ownership. His largest fortune was built up at Okmulgee, Okla., where he owned some of the best and largest business plats in that city. Several large buildings were constructed which he leased to both white and colored people. At one time he was sought to fortify the Midwest Life Insurance company, a Kansas City corporation which elected him to head it in the hope it would be stabilized by his keen insight and hard-headed business policies.

He came to Phoenix several years ago in search of his failing health and to invest in Phoenix property as he thought there was a great future for real estate dealers in this city and section. At one time, Key was rated as a millionaire—the only one at that time of the Negro race.

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Colorado

# J. R. CONTEE, PIONEER OF DENVER, DIES

Held Responsible Post at  
Colorado National Bank  
For 52 Years

DENVER.—Jonathan Richard Contee, a pioneer citizen of Colorado and a resident of Denver for the past 52 years, died Friday, October 6. For over half a century he was a trusted employe of the Colorado National bank, during which period he had charge of bank shipments amounting to several millions of dollars.

The son of Richard Contee and Laura Seaton Contee, he was born in Washington, D. C., February 22, 1858. He came to Denver in 1881 to enter the employment of the Colorado National bank. He was the organizer of the Odd Fellows in Colorado, past master of Rocky Mountain Lodge of Masons, and past grand patron of Columbine Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star. For many years, he was proprietor of the Douglass Undertaking company, and director of the Civic Association and the Western Loan company.

#### Church Officer

In 1893, he became senior warden of the Church of the Holy Redeemer, and for 15 years he was treasurer. He held both offices at the time of his death.

The funeral was held from the Church of the Holy Redeemer, Tuesday, October 10. A requiem mass was sung by the rector at 10 a. m. after which the body lay in state until 3 p. m., when the burial service was said by Bishop Ingle, co-director bishop of Colorado, assisted by the Rev. John H. Huston. The closing prayers and blessing were said by Bishop Irving Johnson, bishop of the Diocese, the rector taking charge of the service at the grave.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Georgia A. Contee; five sisters, Mrs. Lula Mitchell, Mrs. George Cook, Mrs. George Young, Mrs. Olive V. Renfro, Mrs. Mary C. Henderson, all of

Washington; one nephew, Contee Henderson of Colorado Springs and a host of other relatives and friends.

O. E. S. held its service Monday night at the Douglas Undertaking parlors.

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D.C.

A CO-FOUNDER OF LIVING-STONE COLLEGE BURIED

Washington, D. C.—The eulogistic services for the late A. S. Richardson of this city, who died at Freedmen's Hospital Friday, January 20, were held from the McGuire Funeral Home last Monday. Mr. Richardson was a member of John Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church. The pastor, Dr. W. O. Carrington, led the service, assisted by Bishop W. W. Matthews and Dr. H. T. Medford. Bishop E. D. W. Jones delivered the eulogistic address.

2-2-33

Mr. Richardson was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, in 1850, was educated in the public schools of Cleveland and in the early reconstruction period. His career was distinguished for his public services under President Grant. He served as postmaster at Chester, S. C., and afterwards served in the public school system of North Carolina. He at one time edited the Star of Zion, the official organ of the A. M. E. Zion Church. Prof. Richardson, as he was called in those days, with his uncle, the lamented Bishop C. R. Harris, was one of the founders of Livingstone College, Salisbury, N. C. In 1884 he was elected a delegate to the Republican National Convention from North Carolina and was chosen secretary of that delegation. Under Theodore Roosevelt he served as United States Civil Service Commissioner. Mr. Richardson obtained a position in the General Land Office here where he served for many years and until his retirement a few years ago. Among other relatives and a host of friends who survive him in this city, is a daughter, Mrs. Robert McGuire.

Dr. Thomas W. Wallace, Mrs. Ida V. Smith, and Attorney S. M. Dudley were others of the Zion general official family present at the funeral services.

~~Star of Zion~~  
**DR. SARAH FRASER  
NOTED PHYSICIAN,  
DIES IN CAPITAL**

Rites Held for Woman Who  
Has Practiced Medicine  
for Over 50 Years

Funeral rites for Dr. Sarah Lougen Fraser, 83, believed to be the oldest female physician, were held Tuesday from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Gregoria Fraser Goins, 2019 Thirteenth Street Northwest. The Reverends Thomas Brown and D. E. Wiseman officiated at the services, and burial was held at Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

Dr. Fraser died at the Thirteenth Street address, Sunday night, after a brief illness.

She was born in Syracuse, New York, in 1850, and her early life was associated with the "Underground Railroad," a station of which was conducted near her home in Syracuse by her father, the Bishop Loguen, of the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church.

Dr. Fraser received her degree in medicine from the Medical School of Syracuse University in 1876, and served as interne in the Women's Hospital of Philadelphia for one year. Following that period of internship, she filled an unexpired six months' vacancy in the New England Hospital for Women.

Afterwards she located in Washington where she practiced for a year. She married Dr. Charles A. Fraser, a pharmacist of Santo Domingo, and moved to that country. For twenty years she specialized in the practice of obstetrics, being the only woman practitioner in Santo Domingo. She returned to this country after the death of her husband in 1897, and has since made her home with her daughter.

Her daughter is her only survivor.

~~August 20, 1933~~  
**DR. MOTEN, FORMER  
EDUCATOR, INTERRED**

Onetime Miner Teachers

College Head Struck  
by Automobile Here

8-30-33

The body of Dr. Lucy E. Moten, for thirty-seven years principal of Miner Normal Teachers' College, Washington, was returned to the capital Saturday for burial.

Dr. Moten died in Bellevue Hospital Thursday as a result of injuries suffered when struck by an auto August 19 at Thirty-fourth street and Lexington avenue. Dr. Moten retired from the Washington school system about ten years ago and came here to live. Her last address was 138 East Thirty-fourth street.

The educator was born in Washington and was a graduate of the Howard University Medical School. A cousin, Mrs. Louarthur Conley MacDougall, of 548 Putnam avenue Brooklyn, accompanied the body to Washington.

**DR. LUCY MOTON  
BURIED WITH  
HIGH HONORS**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7—Funeral services for Dr. Lucy E. Moton, who prior to her retirement in 1920, was principal of Miner Normal School for 35 years, were held from McGuire's funeral home on Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Rev. Francis J. Grimke, of the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church, officiated at the services, which paid high tribute to the late educator.

Dr. Moten died in New York City last Thursday, following an automobile accident, in which she received fatal injuries.

The late educator's ability received the attention of the late William T. Harris, then United States commissioner of education, who stated before the Senate Appropriations Committee that Dr. Moten was a genius in her profession. To her training he attributed the high standards of the colored

schools of the District of Columbia. She retired from the public schools in 1920 after 45 years of active service.

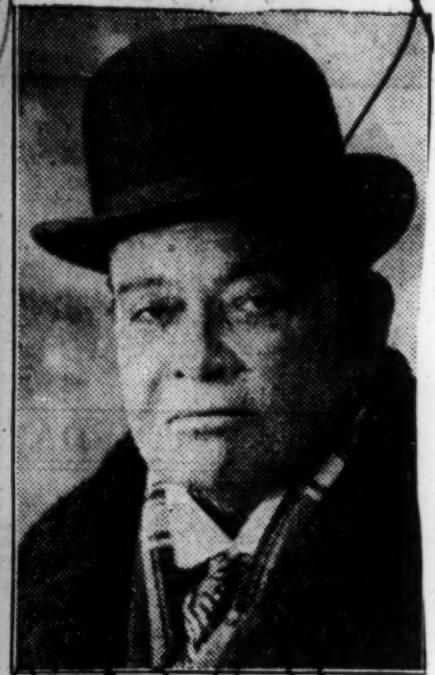
In 1876 Dr. Moten graduated from the Salem, Mass., Normal School. She attended the Spencerian Business College and received an honorary doctor's degree from Howard University. She studied the cultural arts under private tutors. Dr. Moten took several courses which afforded her an opportunity to travel extensively in Europe.

Interment for the nationally recognized educator was held in Harmony cemetery of this city.

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BARRISTER PASSES



~~ARCHIBALD JOHNSON~~, one of the few colored barristers in England, who died recently. Mr. Johnson had been a subscriber to The New York Age for many years.

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GAINESVILLE, FLA.  
NEWS

FEB 28 1933

## A Good Negro Passes On

With the death of Charlie W. Duval, Gainesville loses one of its best negro citizens. Charlie was always a leader of his race and was held in high esteem by his thousands of white friends. When war broke out between the United States and Spain, Charlie volunteered and entered the United States Army where he served with honor. All of Gainesville, both whites and negroes, are better for Charlie

Duval having lived amongst us.

Atlanta, Ga. Constitution

July 20, 1933

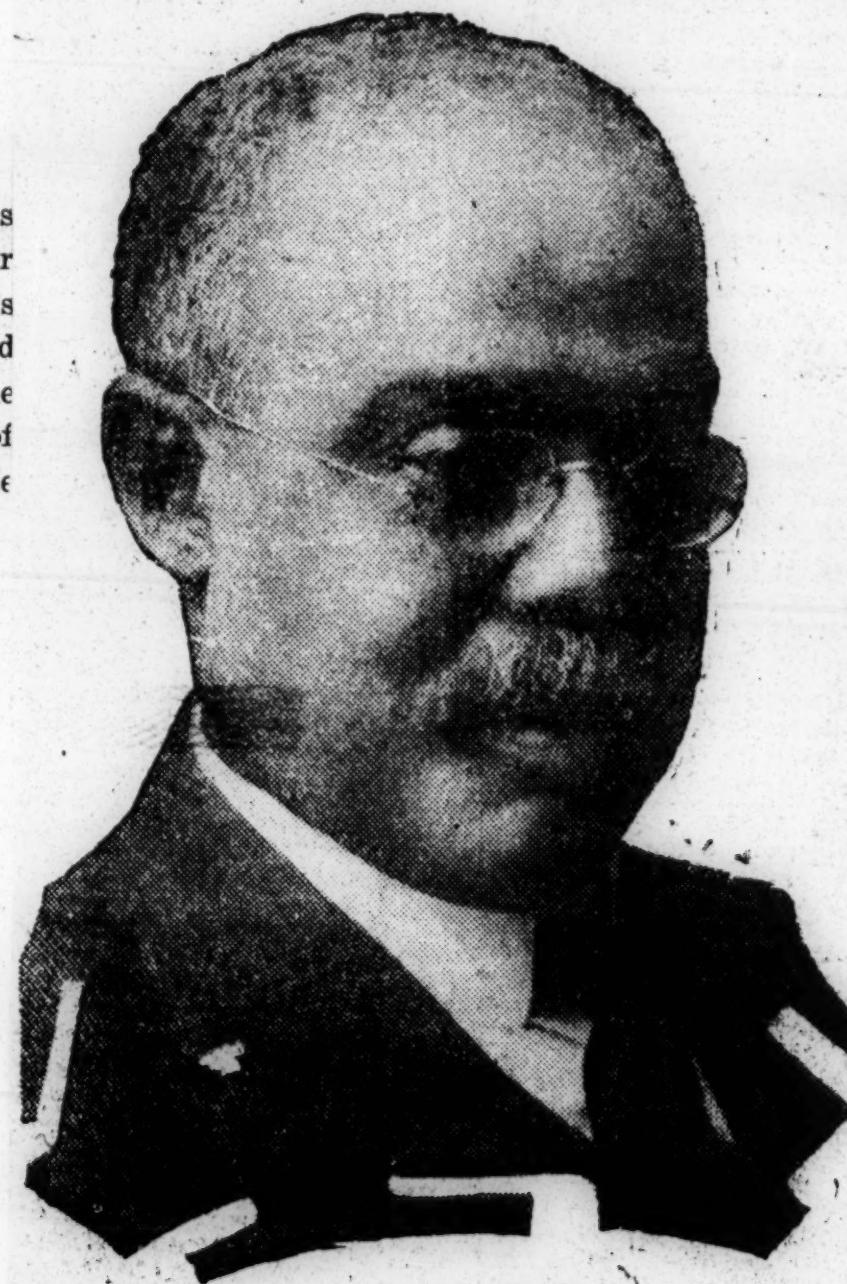
Tampa, Fla. Times

July 18, 1933

### Negro Educator Dies.

TAMPA, Fla., July 19.—(AP)—Nathan B. Young, former president of the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes at Tallahassee, is critically ill at the home of his daughter. He was president of the college for 22 years. The well known negro educator is about 70 years of age. He retired from presidency of the college in 1923.

# Florida EDUCATOR SUCCUMBS IN FLA.



St Louis "Tigres" NATHAN B. YOUNG

TAMPA, Fla. — July 19—Dr. Nathan B. Young of St. Louis died here this morning at the home of his daughter after a lingering illness.

Dr. Young came to this city some time ago to recuperate after a heart attack in North Carolina last Fall, where he was engaged in organizing Negro teachers. About a week ago his condition became serious and his wife and son were summoned from St. Louis to his bedside where they remained until his death.

Mr. Young was formerly President of Lincoln University, Jefferson City which position he held about seven years. While in this position he organized and perfected plans for making Lincoln University an institution of high learning, established courses which would make it a class A College.

Surviving him are a wife, three sons and two daughters.

Funeral services were held at Tallahassee, Florida, the former home of the deceased.

# Militant Leader Dies in Florida After Heart Attack

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., July 28.—Dr. Nathan B. Young, one of the foremost educators of the race, succumbed to a heart attack at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Garret Young Clements, in Tampa, Wednesday, July 19. Funeral services were held at the Florida A. and M. college here Sunday, July 23.

It was Mr. Young's request that a national frate the service be held at the college. Dr. Young left wife in Rev. John J. Ford, pastor of Bethel Tallahassee in 1911, is survived Baptist Institutional church of Jack by his second wife, Mr. Margaretsonville, Fla., delivered the eulogy. Bulkley Young, and five children, President J. R. E. also served as mas-Nathan B. Young Jr., Frank D. Young, William H. Young, all of St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Garrett Young Clements of Tampa, Fla., and Mrs. Julia Sessions of Rocky Mount, N. C.

Participating on the program and representing various organizations and interests were Rev. Mr. Spearman, Mrs. Rachel Andrew Austin, Mrs. Fannie Potts, Mrs. Theresa Lang, Mrs. Linche Armywood Washington and Quintin Adderley. Many of the participants were either students or intimate associates of the deceased.

#### Was Militant Educator

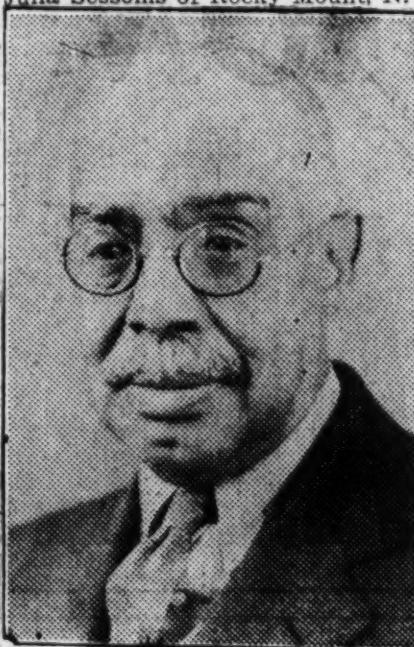
With the passing of Dr. Young the Race lost one of its most militant educational leaders. Born in Newbern, Ala., on Sept. 15, 1862, his early life was enmeshed in the hectic reconstruction period out of which he was able to wrest his early education because of the vision of a devoted mother.

Talladega college launched him upon his educational career, sending him to his first large responsibility, after a rural teaching experience, principalship of the city school in Jackson, Miss.

Dr. Young re-entered school after a few years, attending Oberlin college, where he received his bachelor and master degrees. Oberlin lists him as one of their most distinguished graduates.

#### Worked With Booker T.

Dr. Young's list of adventures in education includes besides what has been listed above, the principalship of the Birmingham city school, six years as director of the academic department at Tuskegee institute, under the principalship of Booker T. Washington; a professor in English and education at Georgia State college, 22 years as president of the Florida A. and M. college and six years as president of Lincoln university, Jefferson City, Mo. Dr. Young was a member of practically all of the national educational organizations and one of the most familiar figures at the National Association of Teachers, which organization he was actively affiliated with in a secretarial capacity for a few years prior to his death. He was also one of the original members of the Boule,



DR. NATHAN B. YOUNG

# Lucy Laney

By the REV. FRANCIS J. GRIGGS,  
Pastor, 15th St. Presbyterian Church,  
Washington, D.C.

WASHINGTON. — Miss Lucy Laney, founder and principal of the Haynes Normal and Industrial Institute, Augusta, Georgia, died on Monday, October 23, and was buried on Thursday.

She was a woman who stood for the best and noblest things in life, and gave herself unstintingly to the work of lifting her poor, struggling and oppressed race out of the ignorance and degradation in which 250 years of slavery had left it.

She saw its pitiable condition, and threw herself heart, soul, mind and strength into the great task to which she had dedicated her life. I know of no finer example of self-sacrificing devotion to a noble cause than is to be found here, in Lucy Laney—small of stature, not particularly impressive in appearance, but with a nobility of soul and a dignity of heart that will ever endear her to the race with which she is identified, and will command the respect and admiration of good men and women everywhere.

With what singleness of purpose, what self-sacrificing devotion, what tireless energy, she gave herself to the work which God had laid upon her heart, and committed to her as a sacred trust. So she felt, and so she toiled, in season and out of season, to lay the foundation for an intelligent, self-respecting, industrious, upright, God-fearing race.

#### Did With Her Might.

To the full measure of her ability, to the utmost of her strength she laid herself out. What her hands found to do, she did with her might. And she was never so happy as when she was at work, and when she saw the fruits of her labor in the budding and expanding life of the young people about her growing up into intelligent, self-respecting God-fearing men and women.

There was never a thought of self during those long years of patient, arduous, self-denying labors; never any effort or desire, on her part, to get in the limelight to attract attention to herself. She embodied perfectly the spirit set forth in the words of Charles Dickens and Henry Drummond:

"Do all they ood you can and make no fuss about it."

"After you have been kind—after love has stolen forth into the world, and done its beautiful work—to back into the shade again, and say nothing about it."

That is a true description of the spirit of Lucy Laney. She did her beautiful work, kept in the shade, and said nothing about it.

As a race we shall never cease to cherish her memory, to hold her in grateful remembrance. We will think of her as Longfellow thought of Florence Nightingale in his beautiful poem Santa Filomena: "A lady with a lamp shall stand In the great history of the land,

A noble type of good,  
Heroic womanhood."

The lamp of knowledge, of truth, of purity, was ever in her hand, and she went down still holding it aloft.

In the community where she lived for half a century, she was held in the highest respect by both races; and, among the colored people, no one exerted a greater influence for good. Even in a Southern city, and in the State of Georgia, race prejudice paid deference to her sterling worth and noble work.

"The tidal wave of deeper souls  
Into our inmost being rolls,  
And lifts us unawares  
Out of all meaner cares.

Honor to those whose words or deeds

Thus help us in our daily needs,  
And by their overflow

Raise us from what is low."

The lifting power of the life of this noble woman will be felt for years in the community where she lived and beyond it. She will not be forgotten; nor will her influence cease to be felt.

Augusta, Ga., Chronicle  
October 29, 1933

## THOUSANDS ATTEND FUNERAL SERVICES FOR LUCY C. LANAY

**Educators From All Sections of Country Pay Tributes to Local Benefactor**

Approximately 1,000 people from every walk of life made pilgrimage to the campus of Haines Normal and Industrial Institute to pay their tribute of respect to the memory of the "Mother of the Children of the People." Lucy Craft Laney.

The final rites took place in the school chapel. Services were conducted by Rev. A. C. Griggs, treasurer and Chaplain of Haines. Rev.

H. F. Anderson, Scripture lessons. Dr. J. M. Gaston, secretary of the Unit for Colored Work of the Board

of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A. delivered the eulogy. Tribute were paid by the following: Dr. J. W. Holly, representing the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian church;

Charlotte Hawkins Brown, president of Palmer Memorial Institute, Sedalia, N. C.; Dean J. P. Whittaker, of Atlanta University; her Alma Mater.

Dean L. R. Harper, Paine college; Principal L. E. White, representing the city public schools; Dr. William Hallock Johnson, president Lincoln university, Chester County, Penn.

Rev. P. A. Evans, Walker Institute; Hon. Wm. H. Fleming, the white citizens of Augusta; Willie Mae Oliver, officer of Juvenile court, the women of Augusta; Benj. F. Hubert, president of Georgia State College.

Savannah; Frank Hutchins, the Alumni association; Dr. T. W. Josey, Stoney Medical association; Dr. A. B. McCoy, of Atlanta; Dr. S. S. Johnson, president of local board of trustees; Mae Belcher, graduate and former teacher; Phillis Branch, of Y. W. C. A. Indianapolis, Ind.; Walter Harris, class 19; the Augusta Press; Rev. J. W. Whitaker; Tuskegee Institute, Ala.; J. C. Bryant, '10, of South State College, and Dr. A. S. Clarke, of Gillispie Normal school at Cordele, Ga., read original poems dedicated to her; Prof. Crosby of Johnson C. Smith University; Helen Sullivan, Lamar Nurses; Dr. Matilda Evans, Columbia, S. C.; George Towns, Fort Valley Normal school.

Each speaker immortalized her for her work of sacrifice, service, character building, and for the ideals for which she stood. Three solos were rendered; Annie E. Daniels, class '14, sang "Going Home"; Arthur Lee Simpkins sang, "Mother" and Edward Simmons of Savannah, sang, "I Have Done My Work." The chorus composed of students and Alumni sang, "The Lord Is My Shepherd" and "Jerusalem the Golden." Dr. J. C. Anderson committed the body. The casket, gray metallic lined with white transparent velvet and beautifully engraved, was the gift of Allen Cody Toeks of Philadelphia, Pa., who is a graduate of the class of 1919. Many floral tributes were given by the schools, colleges, clubs, auxiliaries and friends.

The ceremonies were more of a coronation rather than a funeral and in the words of Dr. S. S. Johnson, president of the Board of Trustees;

"The Clods of the campus rest quietly on her remains,

Disturb not her peaceful rest

We loved her well but Jesus loved her best.

Her life was as pure as the falling flakes of snow

As unapproachable as a distant star;

Cold in the dust the perished heart may lie

But the love that warmed it once

can never die.

Dr. J. M. Gaston, Secretary National Board, Presbyterian church:

"I want to bring today a tribute from the Presbyterian church at large. The whole Church appreciated, honored and loved Lucy Laney.

We were glad to give unto her. We were proud of her and in sympathy with this great work she was trying to do.

Whenever she was in our General Assembly she was received with great honor as she was received wherever she was privileged to go. I remember that during the session of the Assembly in Chicago several years ago and which she attended the great ovation that she received there. As Lucy Laney had

"She has often been in Pittsburgh and spoken there and there are many hearts in West Philadelphia heavy because this great and godly friend has gone home to receive her crown. Michigan also has a great many who loved Lucy Laney.

"Lucy Laney had a great touch of humor in her. I remember on one occasion during a meeting here the members of the board wanted to give her a purse as a token of appreciation of her fine work. They gathered the purse and asked me to present it to her. I remember very distinctly how when I had finished my speech and handed her the purse she looked at me and said 'Dr. Gaston, they say that money is the cheapest thing you can give a person.' She always had about her that human touch, that quiet humor that made it a joy to talk to her. It was this human touch that made it a delight for all who came in contact with her. She has left her stamp upon all who have been under her care.

"Now the lesson I want to leave is simply this: So much work, so much devotion, so much sacrifice, so much fidelity, so much of this great life lavished upon the people of God, so much faithfulness to a great cause, the teaching and living of the gospel, so much of that great life lived among the children of God, surely, surely we cannot let this be lost. Her works follow her. She has received her crown but she lives yet in the lives of her Alumni, in all these students. Lucy Laney rests from her labors and has gone to receive her reward. I like to think of her as looking down upon us gathered here. What a vast chorus must have met Lucy Laney. Think of the Alumni that proceeded her, and the friends of other years. This great crowd of witnesses looking down upon us and rejoicing with us. She lives on in your hearts and lives. She has built a temple. She will never die for there is nothing greater than building lives. It has been almost a half century since she began her work, the work so dear to her and to the Minister whom she followed and just as dear to you. For such a one there is no death."

It is not death to die  
To leave this weary world.

## SUMTER'S RICHEST NEGRO DIES AT 89

John Crawford, Ex-Slave, Sold Farm For \$78,000 Cash; Sent Son to College

AMERICUS, Ga., Nov. 9.—John Crawford, 89, oldest Negro in Sumter county, and probably the wealthiest member of his race in Georgia, died at his home in Americus today. Death was due to infirmities of advanced age, and terminated a lengthy



LUCY CRAFT LANEY

Illness.

He is survived by one son, John Cicero Crawford, and his widow, Fannie Crawford, both of Americus. John Crawford, who was born a slave in Virginia and was the property of Col. Shade Crawford, came to Sumter county during emancipation.

He was employed here by the late Dr. Hinkle and Capt. W. G. Hooks, of Americus.

Leaving the service of Captain Hooks, Crawford received 100 acres of land in lieu of wages due him and began farming for himself. By close application to his affairs and frugal living he soon accumulated more land and during 1919 sold out his land holdings in Sumter and Schley counties to R. L. McMath and associates of Americus for a cash consideration of \$78,000. Shortly afterward he moved to Americus and had since lived quietly here. He was not a race leader and was uneducated, but gave his son college training.

He was a member of the Methodist church and funeral services will be in Campbell Chapel A. M. E. church here Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in the Negro cemetery on Ashby street.

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## NEGRO WOMAN WHO EDUCATED YOUTHS DIES IN GEORGIA

Dinah Watts Pace Lived Her Life on Theory of "Inching Along"

Covington, Ga., Feb. 4—(P)—Dinah Watts Pace—she was born in slavery but kept "inching along" until she educated 465 girls and 235 boys—is dead. The 80-year-old negro woman was burned recently and died of the injuries.

Dinah was a slave of the Alexander family of Athens. She started from scratch and got a college education. Then she came here to teach.

It was in 1884 when two orphans were left in her care that she resolved to teach orphans. She took as her motto "we are inching along" and the words were put to music as a graduation exchise song.

A two-room cabin with dry goods boxes for furniture was her first school room. Later Mrs. A. C. Reed of Manchester, Vt., gave her \$1,000 and she built a 10-room house and named it the "Reed House and School." Later she bought a little farm and each child in her care was given a job working the soil.

She took boys and girls off the street and educated them. The county helped and soon her school was a going concern. Fire wrecked her girls' dormitory in 1917, but she kept "inching along" anyway.

There is no record of any of her wards ever being in the hands of the law.

## Founder Of Orphan Home Passes Away

Mrs. Dinah Watts Pace Was Instrumental In

RESCUING 700 ORPHANS

Founded Well Known Home at Covington

Lovington, Ga., Feb. 5—The honesty and sincerity into their death of Mrs. Diana Watts Pace, hearts and minds and it found per-colored, who succumbed to burns manent lodgement there. accidentally received, has removed Through her efforts Newton from this community one of its county has been blessed in many most useful citizens. She was buried last week from her beloved church in Atlanta.

Mrs. Pace was born a slave in Athens on January 9, 1853. Some way she managed to go to school and later attended the Atlanta University, where she graduated in 1883. She came to Covington at that time, as a teacher. She was always extremely religious and fired with ambition to do something for her people. She said always that her motto came from a song sung at her graduation exercises, "We Are Inchng Along," and the inspiration of these words cheered her and kept faith constant thru out all her life.

In the spring of 1884 two little colored girls were left orphans. Mrs. Pace took them under her care. She rented one room of a two room cabin. Her furniture was made of dry good boxes. For cooking utensils she had a large pot, an oven and a long handled frying pan.

She kept "inching along," working and praying. One day a stranger called on her and admired her efforts. He put her in communication with a Mrs. A. C. Reed of Manchester, Vt., who sent her \$1,000. With this as a start and with help of other friends, of both races, she built a ten room house and named it the "Reed Home and School." It was more of a home than a school though the children were sent to their classes regularly.

Newton county furnished the teacher. Later Mrs. Pace bought land on the outskirts of Covington and gave each child a garden plot where they did all the necessary work.

For some time she had ninety girls in her home. In 1917 fire destroyed the girls' dormitory and since then she has only had boys. As far as these children can be traced in after life, not a one of her children, has been in the hands of the law. She inculcated

life, not a one of "Aunt Dinah's children," has even been in the hands of the law. She inculcated honesty and sincerity into their hearts and minds and it found permanent lodgement there.

Through her efforts Newton county has been blessed in many ways. She took boys and girls off the streets and from homes without parents and made self-respecting men and women. Few, if any people know all about her efforts and sacrifices to continue her work. All most people know is that she "kept inching along."

She raised, in her home, 465 girls and 235 boys.

A niece of Aunt Dinah's, Annie May Watts, has charge of the home since her death and Covington and Newton county are hoping and praying that the splendid work can be continued.

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## Inspired by Motto 'Inching Along', Ex-Slave Rescues 700 Orphans

Quitman, Ga. Free-Press

February 10, 1933

### Negro Educator

### Yields To Death

J.H. Singleton, negro teacher, who spent fifty-two years of his life in the school room teaching the boys and girls of his race, died in Quitman last Friday and his funeral was largely attended Sunday afternoon from the Methodist church on South Court street.

He was a negro of unusual attainment and his entire life was devoted to service of a very high type. After four years of school work in Middle Georgia, Singleton came to Quitman in 1885 and became principal of the old negro school. Here he taught and directed the school until 1914, when he called on her, and after looking into accepted a country school, teaching her condition and seeing her desire there until 1932.

He spent forty-eight years of his fifty-two as teacher in Quitman and Brooks county and during that half century he earned the confidence and good will and friendship of the people of both races. He was more than seventy years old at the time of his death.

Jefferson, Ga. Herald  
Thursday, February 16, 1933

### NEGRO WOMAN EDUCATED

### 700 CHILDREN IN HOME

Covington, Ga.—Dinah Watts Pace, negro educator who almost single-handed brought up and educated 465 girls and 235 boys, died here recently after suffering severe accidental burns, closing eighty years of unselfish labor for under-privileged children. She was buried from her church in Atlanta. A niece, Annie May Watts, is carrying on the work of the home.

Dinah was born in Athens, Ga., January 9, 1853, a slave of the Alexander family, well known in the history of Georgia. She in some way went to school and later to the Atlanta University, where she graduated in 1883. After her graduation she came to Covington to teach. From her early years she was very religious and wanted to do something for her fellow man.

### Kept "Inching Along"

She told the writer once that in the beginning of her work for children she took as a motto a song at her graduating exercises. "We Are Inching Along," and this cheered and redoubled her efforts.

In the spring of 1884, two little girls were left orphans. She took them under her care. She rented one room of a two room cabin. Her furniture was made largely of dry goods boxes. For cooking utensils she had a large pot, an oven and a long-handled frying pan.

She kept "inching along," working and praying, and one day a stranger called on her and admired her efforts. He put her in communication with a Mrs. A. C. Reed, of Manchester, Vt., who gave her \$1,000. With this as a start and with help of other friends, of both races, she built a ten room house and named it the "Reed Home and School." It was more of a home than a school though the children were sent to their classes regularly.

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did all the necessary work on the place.

#### Dormitory Destroyed by Fire

For sometime, she had ninety girls in her home. A fire in 1917 destroyed the girls dormitory and since that time she had only boys. As far as these children can be followed up not one has been in the hands of the law. She inculcated honesty and sincerity into the hearts and minds of her children.

I have no doubt but what through her efforts Newton County has been blessed in many ways. She took boys and girls off the streets and from homes without parents and turned out self respecting men and women. How she ever carried on this work, few if any people know, except that she continued to "inch along."

## Military Rites Held for Dr. H. H. Wimbish

ATLANTA, Ga., March 24.—Full military honors were accorded Dr. Hugh H. Wimbish when funeral services were held at the First Congregational church. A detachment from Fort McPherson fired a rifle salute at Oakland cemetery. During the period of silence that followed an army bugler sounded taps.

#### DR. J.W.E. BOWEN DIES; WAS NEGRO EDUCATOR

Dr. Wimbish, who completed his dental training at Meharry Medical College after preliminary study at Atlanta university, served overseas with the 368th infantry as a second lieutenant. Following his discharge and college work he took an active part in politics and newspaper work being appointed sergeant-at-arms at the Republican national convention in 1924 under the Harding administration. It was while practicing dentistry in Cleveland that the effects of the gas poison encountered during the war started the inroads that claimed his life in California.

The flag-draped casket was opened during the church services as professor of church history. In The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. W. J. Faulkner.

Dr. J. N. Nabrit read the scripture lesson, while Rev. E. R. Carter delivered the invocation. Tribute to the young dentist was paid by Charles W. Green, regional vice president of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, of which he was a member. Brief remarks were made by Attorney Peyton Allen and Dr. Thomas Slater. Telegrams and condolences were read by Harold Thomas.

Pallbearers included John Lockett Tuskegee, Ala.; Dr. Sewell Freeman Nashville, Tenn.; Harold Hunt, Fort Valley, Ga.; Drs. A. L. Kelsey and L. V. Reese, Atlanta, and Arthur B. Standard, Levering Bell and Harold Thomas of this city. Flower girls were the Mesdames Cassie Edwards, Anna Dart Bronson, Edythe Taylor, Margaret Young, Mae Yates and

Eloise Milton, and the Misses Hazel Hart and Rosa Elligan.

Besides his mother, Mrs. C. C. Wimbish, he is survived by two brothers, Attorney C. C. Wimbish Jr., Chicago, Ill., and Peter of Atlanta, and three sisters, Misses Edythe and Hattie and Mrs. Virginia Canady, all of this city.

# S. J. REID, PIONEER GEORGIA SCHOOL ORGANIZER, IS DEAD

SAVANNAH, Ga., May 19.—Prof. S. J. Reid, organizer of the first Race public school in Chatham county and a prominent citizen of Savannah, died at his residence on Thomas Ave., Sandfly, Friday after an illness of nine months.

Professor Reid organized the Sisters Ferry school in 1874. He taught one term at Halcyndale in Screven county in 1877, after which he was elected principal teacher of the school at Monteith, Chatham county, and taught there for 17 years.

Professor Reid and Rev. J. H. H. Sengstacke, who had graduated from the Friedrichdorf Latin academy in Germany and who also was engaged in private school work in Savannah, taught the first public school in this district for a number of years—Professor Reid at Monteith, Rev. J. H. H. Sengstacke at Woodville and a third, Professor Edwards, at Five Mile Bend.

These three were the pioneer leaders in the public school system in Chatham county. Nov. 1, 1894, Professor Reid was appointed assistant to Prof. J. C. Ross at the East Broad St. school and served there until four years of school work in Middle Georgia, Singleton came to Quitman in 1885 and became principal of the old negro school. Here he taught and directed the school until 1914, when he accepted a country school, teaching there until 1932.

Then the board of education bought the Maple St. building, now used for school purposes, and he was transferred to that school, where he remained four years.

In 1920 he became principal of the Sandfly school after serving there for nine years. He was highly praised by the board of education and retired and during that half century he with a life pension, which he has received since 1929.

His funeral was held Monday from the Steele Undertakers parlors. He is survived by his widow and children.

#### Overwork Is Part Cause Of Death Of Dr. A. Lawless

ATLANTA, Ga.—Dr. Alfred Lawless, Jr., for many years superintendent of church work among Negroes of the Congregational denomination died at this home in Atlanta, Ga., last Saturday.

Dr. Lawless, a native of New Orleans, La., was a graduate of Straight College and had served before entering the ministry, as principal of a public school in his natal city.

Because of his administrative ability his career as minister was short, he being made superintendent of all the colored churches in the South supported by the American Missionary Society.

October 20, 1933

## NEGRO LEADER PASSES IN BROOKS COUNTY

QUITMAN, Ga., Sept. 27.—Dempsey Wooten, leader among colored people in this county and in the state, died Saturday afternoon in a hospital in Thomasville. His funeral was conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Simon Baptist church, where he has been a member and leader 57 years. Near-by is the model industrial school for his people built and developed largely through his efforts.

He was 83 years old, had 16 children, eleven of whom survive him. His children and children's children number over 100. He started life as a railroad hand getting \$5 a month. He saved money on that, bought a farm and settled in this county when he married. He was a good farmer and made money. He bought more land and induced his children to settle down as farmers. He was shrewd, sensible and a wise leader of his people.

He never spent money on what he considered foolish unessentials and left instructions written that his coffin should not cost over \$10 but he gave liberally to education and to church work. He was a trustee of the Central City college, a Baptist negro denominational college in Macon; he was a leader in the colored Baptist state convention. Around him was developed one of the most unusual negro communities in the state, people who own their farms, who have a very unusual model school, with the only vocational agricultural training in the country, people who never figure in court cases.

At 80 Dempsey attended the night classes organized among the adults for better farm methods, doubted that certain methods would produce two bales of cotton to the acre, but tried it. State leaders among his people, prominent white men of the county, attended his funeral.

#### Lucy Laney Dies At Augusta Home

Lucy C. Laney, former Macon Negress and founder of the Haines Normal and Industrial institute for Negroes in Augusta, died at her home on the institute campus yesterday, it was learned here last night.

She established the Augusta school in 1885. The former Macon woman was graduated from Ballard Normal school, then known as the Lewis high school, here more than 50 years ago. Leaving Ballard, she went to Atlanta university and from there to Savannah, where she taught for a short while.

The educator left Savannah, went to Augusta, and founded the school, which she had been connected up to the time of her death. Recognized throughout the country as a leading member of the Negro race, she was awarded several honorary degrees by

Northern institutions, according to Frank Hutchins, Macon Negro general director, who studied at Haines Institute.

# Lucy Laney Passes Away in Augusta

10-29-33  
Chicago

AUGUSTA, Ga., Oct. 27.—Miss Lucy C. Laney, founder and principal of Haines Normal and Industrial institute died here Monday after an illness of many years. Her body will lie in state at the institution which she founded prior to the funeral which will be attended by noted educators and civic leaders throughout the state.

Miss Laney was the daughter of a Presbyterian minister; her mother belonged to a family known as Campbells, and they took great interest in her and taught her how to read and write.

In late years she entered Atlanta university, where she was considered a brilliant student, and first honors were always hers. She first taught in Savannah and raised the standards of instruction for Race pupils in Georgia. In Augusta, Miss Laney opened a private school, and from there Haines Normal Institute was formed, where boys and girls were trained in the fundamentals leading to higher education.

## Friends Give Aid

Friends in Augusta rallied to her support, giving her room in the Presbyterian church to open her first classes. Soon the school outgrew its quarters and Miss Laney was compelled to seek a larger place.

At the time Miss Laney was fighting for educational advancement for the youth of the South, the Freedom Board of Missions, under the Presbyterian church, was doing some education and religious work in the South and were holding a meeting in Minneapolis, Minn., where Miss Laney decided to attend and plead her cause. It was here that she told her story, after many hours of fatigue and hunger. The response came back through Miss Haines, who made it possible for the purchase of ground on Gwinnett St. in Augusta, and the first brick building of the Haines Normal Institute went up, and thus was founded the best secondary school in Georgia.

"What is today won't be tomorrow" was the advice of Miss Laney to her students; and she urged them to be prepared at all times.

## FOUNDER OF HAINES NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE FOR NEGROES SCHOOL DIES

AUGUSTA, Ga., Oct. 23.—(P)—Lucy G. Laney, negro, founder of the Haines Normal and Industrial Institute for Negroes, died today in her home on the campus. She established the school in 1885. She was a native of Macon, Ga. Augusta, Ga., Chronicle  
October 24, 1933

## ILLNESS FATAL TO LUCY LANEY, NOTED COLORED EDUCATOR

Founder and President Of  
Haines Institute Spent  
Life Of Service

Lucy Craft Laney, founder and principal of Haines Normal and Industrial Institute and perhaps the most noted colored woman educator in America, died at 3:30 o'clock after a long illness.

She was the daughter of Rev. David and Louise Laney of Macon, Ga. The Rev. David Laney, her father, was employed by the Cobb's of Macon and her mother belonged to the Campbell's and especially to Miss Campbell whose personal maid she was.

Miss Campbell even before the war believed in some education for the Negro and consequently cared for her little maid and herself, taught her to read and count.

Little Lucy fell heir as it were to her mother's good fortune. When she was no more than four or five years old and already showing signs of becoming a tomboy, her parents taught her to read and then Miss Campbell began in earnest her education. This personal direction on the part of Miss Campbell continued all through her school work in Macon. When she had gone as far as the Lewis High School in Macon could carry her, Lucy Laney still with the encouragement of Miss Campbell and the financial assistance of her father entered the Atlanta University. She graduated in 1873 as one of the four members of its first class.

## Early Teaching

Her first 10 years out of school was spent in teaching in the public schools of Savannah, Augusta and Milledgeville. Dr. Richard of the Board of Missions went to see Lucy Laney while she was teaching in Savannah and laid before her the needs of the people of Augusta. Lucy Laney returned to Augusta and rented the lecture room of Christ Presbyterian Church and opened her nursery school. She intended it for girls but boys came and she took

them in. The present became crowded whereupon she rented a two-story building at 53 Calhoun street, and started again. Those days were rough sledding. The Presbyterian educator was not ready to take over the work by the local chapter of the school's Alumni Association. The group drew up resolutions and repledged its services to the school's continuation.

**School Gets \$10,000**  
Mrs. Marshall and her daughter became so much impressed with her that they gave \$10,000 for the erection of Marshall Hall on Gwinnett street, the present site of the school. In 1906 Mrs. McGregor of Detroit erected the second building which bears her name at a cost of \$15,000. In 1925 Mrs. Wheeler of New York left a legacy of \$10,000 to the institution and the Cauley-Wheeler Memorial building was erected to take care of the primary work.

When the annals of American education are written they will show that Lucy Craft Laney, founder and for nearly half a century principal of Haines Normal and Industrial Institute will rank among the foremost women of her generation in the service she has rendered for humanity.

By her life of sacrifice and devotion, by the toil of 50 years, by her work of faith and labor of love, Lucy Craft Laney has built up this institution which is her monument.

Negro education has lost one of its foremost characters. In the death of Miss Lucy C. Laney, principal of the Haines Junior College at Augusta, Ga. One of the pioneer Negro-directed education for the group in the South, Miss Laney established the forerunner of her present school in 1885.

The school perhaps was the first to have an interracial faculty in Georgia, liberal Southern white instructors having offered their services in the early years of the institution. Contributions from both races have kept the school open and a trust fund to serve as an endowment was created recently.

Although in recent years the institution has been given to the more cultural arts, it was at first created for the training of girls in household economics and industrial work for boys. Its faculty has been drawn from Northern universities, in the main, until recently, when the teaching staff became an all-Negro group.

Miss Laney was one of the first graduates of Atlanta University, having interest in the education of the going into the heart of Georgia's disadvantaged must share deeply rural section to teach immediately with you today and your associates after her graduation and investing

her own money later in the school, which now has nearly 1000 students. Memorial services in honor of the educator were held in Philadelphia and left Lucy Laney to her own devices. More and more children kept coming to the school which made additional teaching necessary and the barn in the backyard was taken over and transformed into school-rooms. In the second there were 300 pupils. Lucy went to the general assembly which met in Minneapolis in 1887 and as a result the school was definitely taken under the care of the Board of Missions of Freedom. She met at this meeting Mrs. Marshall.

**Educators From Many Sections**  
Augusta, Ga., Chronicle  
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**butes to Augustan**

Some of the tributes paid Lucy Laney by some of the leading educators of the country are expressed below:

**Nannie Burroughs:** "Lucy Laney was a spiritual symbol of vision, sacrifice and devotion. In death she rises to new glories from the husk of earth-sown wheat."

**John Hope:** "Lucy Laney's death brings rest to her, but great sorrow to her friends. She was a pioneer and a great teacher. I am grateful that she helpfully directed my

boyhood steps and has remained my friend through many years."

**Dr. R. E. Moton:** "Shocked to hear of Lucy Laney's death but it is a glorious triumph. Greater love hath no man than this that he lay down his life for his friend. Steadfast in purpose, absolutely selfless heroic, in self-sacrifice one of the noblest women our race has produced. She was an adornment to the human race. Her place can not be filled. To thousands, she stood as the first citizen of Augusta. All Tuskegee pays tribute to her strength of character and noble achievements."

**Mary McLeod Bethune:** "Cookman mourns with the nation the passing of our heroine in the field of Christian education. The youths have lost a fearless champion. She blazed the way to higher things. Lucy Laney was my early inspiration. Her work can never die. Unborn thousands will yet call her blessed."

**Dr. Thomas E. Jones, of Fisk University:** "The constructive genius of Lucy Laney is manifest in the nation-wide influence exerted by the nurtured. In her passing American education has lost a distinguished friend."

**Dr. Mordecai Johnson:** "All who have interest in the education of the disadvantaged must share deeply on the faculty at Haines Normal and

Industrial Institute the deep sense of loss which you feel in the death of your noble leader. In faith, courage and devotion she has been an inspiration to us all. We can not fail to be deeply grateful for what her life has meant to us personally and will continue to mean as long as we live."

**Benjamin F. Hubert:** "It should be a source of great joy that we have had the rare privilege and opportunity to know and to be enriched by such an inspiring life as that of Lucy C. Laney. She leaves the world finer and better and our hearts more firmly resolved to carry on in the struggle to help make the world a more wholesome place for the underprivileged. As long as time shall last Lucy Laney's influence shall live and grow. We count it a great privilege to share in your efforts to keep the torch that she lighted burning brighter as time goes on. Yet have our deepest sympathy in this loss not only of yourselves but of the world."

**Walter Brown, Hampton Institute:** "Hampton expresses deep sympathy in the passing of Lucy Laney, a foremost teacher, a noble leader and a wonderful Christian character."

**Dr. J. H. Gadson and J. E. Brown,** president and dean respectively of Central City College, Macon; "Lucy Laney's death brought deep sorrow to our hearts. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Haines in this heavy bereavement. We are keenly alive to the fact that one of the world's greatest souls passed when Lucy Laney fell."

**Wm. Stuart Nelson, Shaw University:** "Deeply saddened at the passing of Lucy Laney, pioneer and prophet in the field of education."

**John M. Gandy:** "The passing of her is a great loss to Negro education in Georgia and the south. She was one of the most effective pioneers in Negro education. The faculty and students of Virginia State College share your sorrow in this great loss."

**Abram Simpson:** "Allen University sympathizes with all in the loss of an educator and pioneer in educational opportunities."

**N. W. Collier:** "Faculty and students join in heartfelt sympathy in the passing of Miss Laney. The nation has lost one of its greatest women; the race has lost a benefactor whose place cannot soon be filled."

**J. G. Porter, Harbison College:** "Extend sincere sympathy to faculty and students. Lucy Laney's death is a loss to the race that cannot be replaced."

**M. F. Whittaker, South Carolina State College:** "State College joins in humble submission to the will of the Almighty who has said to Lucy C. Laney, 'come up higher.' Accept our sympathy."

**Rev. J. J. Starks:** "Benedict College faculty and students sympathize with you in the passing of Lucy Laney."

**David Jones:** "The Bennett community sincerely regrets hearing of the passing of Lucy Laney. She was a most remarkable woman and our whole race life will be richer for her having lived. We will be poor for her having passed away."

Dean J. T. Carter: "Talladega College wishes to express its sincere regret at the passing of Lucy Laney. Her going means a distinct loss in Negro education as well as a loss to Haines Institute. The great consolation in the knowledge of the fine piece of work she did for education in Augusta which can never be destroyed."

Henry A. Hunt: "The faculty of Fort Valley Normal and Industrial School wish to extend our deep sympathy to the faculty and students of Haines Institute in the loss of their principal, Lucy C. Laney. She was a pioneer in education, an unflinching and uncompromising defender of righteousness; a reclaimer of the wayward and a loyal friend. Georgia and the nation have been enriched by her life and her work in the lives of youth can never be forgotten."

Dr. M. S. Davage: "I want to join with those who mourn the passing of a great soul who made a wonderful contribution to her people and to her country. Her heroic life of endeavor and achievement inspired many girls to live a worthy life. Her influence will abide."

Charlotte Hawkins Brown: "The faculty and students of Palmer Memorial Institute mourn with you in remorse of your president the outstanding ideal of Negro womanhood in the world. I am journeying to Augusta to pay my last tribute of respect to the woman who was the inspiration of my childhood dreams, the fulfillment of my ideals for useful life. God's blessings upon the school."



# "BLACK PATTI," Afro-American NOTED SINGER BURIED IN N.J. 1-33 Baltimore Md.

Mme. Sissieretta Jones  
Succumbs in Providence Hospital.

## REAL NAME WAS MATILDA JOYNER

Retired in 1915 after  
Brilliant Career.

[Exclusively to the AFRO]

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (Special to the AFRO) — Mme. Sissieretta

Jones, silvery voiced songbird of a generation ago, who won fame under the name of "Black Patti" succumbed at the Rhode Island Hospital here Saturday.

Mme. Jones, who is said to have been in her late sixties, became internationally famous during the days of Williams and Walker and was one of the pioneer singers of the race.

The funeral services were held from the Congdon Street Baptist Church where she was active. At time of her illness, which was short, she was living with friends on Wheaton Street.

She was born in Portsmouth, Va., but went to Providence to live more than 60 years ago. After a divorce she resumed her maiden name of Matilda Joyner. For years she and the late Flora Berger, also of Providence, traveled together and became known as famous sopranos.

### Had Troubadors

Black Patti was at the height of her career one of the greatest attractions on the American stage. In the cities where she played people stormed the doors to hear her. Colored patrons in Baltimore and other Southern cities paid as high as two dollars a seat to climb to the peanut galleries of theatres to hear her in the days when this was considered an enormous price to pay for entertainment.

She traveled over the country at the head of a troupe called "Black Patti's Troubadors." Associated with her at one time was

the late John Rucker, famous comedian, and the Wangdoole Four, a quartet that was as famous a generation ago as the Mills Brothers are today.

Mme. Jones was an aristocrat of the stage and her shows were always of a high order and had none of the risque and suggestive material so common in modern shows. She took no part in the general run of the show but appeared as a special attraction, rendering both classical and popular numbers. She was most famous for her rendition of "Suwanee River." She would always include a classic in her repertoire to show the remarkable range and control of her voice.

She last appeared in Baltimore about 1908 at the old Blaney's Theatre on Eutaw Street near Saratoga. She also appeared at the old Holliday Theatre. She spent considerable time in Baltimore and it was believed by many that she was a native of that city. She was associated with many East Baltimore musicians and spent much of her time in that section. She was popular along with such celebrities as Williams and Walker, Smart Set, and Bl'hd Tom. She later retired from the stage and confined her activities to recitals in churches.

## "Black Patti", Songbird of Yesterday, Feted by Kings, Dies Unsung



HERE'S MADAME SISIERETTA JONES, "BLACK PATTI," her bosom covered with medals and awards presented to her upon her grand opera tour of America and Europe, as she appeared forty years ago at the head of her company, "Black Patti's Troubadors," which toured the country for years.

She not only sang before Europe's crowned heads, but also before President Harrison in the White House. She was once signed up for an opera season at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York.

Aged, almost forgotten by the thousands who once acclaimed her, she died last week in a Providence, Rhode Island hospital, and was buried quietly from Congdon Baptist Church.

## FAMOUS 'PUG' PASSES AWAY

"Bob" Armstrong's Body in Charity Ward of Chicago Hospital

On last Thursday morning another once famous pugilist passed away when "Bob" Armstrong, one of the most widely known mitt pushers of another day, died in the charity ward of a Chicago hospital. Before the line was so tightly drawn in the heavyweight division of boxing Armstrong met some of the best fighters when Sam Langford, Joe Jeanette, Joe Gans and a host of other colored ring men were in the spotlight.

Armstrong was a young man when he entered the entourage of Peter Jackson, the man whom John L. Sullivan was afraid to meet, and he helped to train the late Virgin Islander for a number of his fights. He was also in Jim Jeffries' corner when the latter met his Waterloo at the hands of Jack Johnson.

For years a feud existed between Armstrong and Johnson. With the late James J. Corbett, Armstrong tried to get Johnson's "goat" during the memorable battle at Reno, but John Arthur pulled his "golden smile" on both Corbett and Armstrong and suggested to Corbett that he would have done the same thing when Jack smacked the "white hope" into a helpless condition.

Up to the latter part of last week it was hoped that friends would take Armstrong's body from the hospital and give him a decent burial. During the last year of his life he was a very sick man and had lost all hope of ever regaining his health.

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# Rev. Moses Jackson, Minister Here 42 Years, Is Buried

Funeral services for Rev. Moses H. Jackson, founder of Grace Presbyterian church, were held Monday, Jan. 9, from the church. Dr. Jackson, who was the active pastor up to three years ago, died Thursday evening, Jan. 5, at 6:30 o'clock. Although Dr. Jackson had been confined to bed with a stomach ailment and was under medical observation during the past six weeks, this illness had not been diagnosed as fatal.

Death came suddenly as the result of a series of sinking spells which took place late Thursday afternoon. The death of Dr. Jackson brings to a close the distinguished career which began in Chicago, in 1888, of one of the country's most eminent preachers. At that time Dr. Jackson, who had lately been graduated with honors from Lincoln university, was given \$5,000 by Mrs. Susan Dodd Brown of Princeton, N. J., to found a church anywhere he chose. Although Dr. Jackson had been born on a farm near Washington, D. C., and received his education in the East, he decided to start his work in Chicago, where he was dean of the Chicago Presbytery.

**Active After Retirement**  
Since Dr. Jackson's retirement he continued to have contact with the church he founded. His regular attendance at the services, where he preferred to sit among people to whom he had for 42 years ministered, was prevented only by outside speaking engagements and lately by his health. His attendance continued up to the beginning of his confinement six weeks ago. One of his last acts for the church he loved here until his retirement in 1930 was the donation of \$100 from the growth of Grace church sum of over \$1,700 which the church now owes him and which dates back three years. Through such continual acts of generosity and sacrifice, Dr. Jackson remained through his entire pastorate. At the time of his retirement he found himself at the close of his life. The church was unique among the churches in that it was entirely free. He has since lived with a son of debt. And as Dr. Jackson led this congregation through the years, the ed by Rev. J. W. Holley of Albany, institution became nationally known Ga., Rev. John D. Smith, Rev. Andrew and its prestige became a tribute to C. Zenos, Rev. W. Clyde Howard and the eminence of the pastor's ministry Rev. Lawrence P. Oliver. Burial was and the intelligent assistance of his wife in Lincoln cemetery.

His wife, Mrs. Addie Jackson, who had worked faithfully by his side until her death in 1920. The church membership which he attracted represented the leaders in Chicago's professional and social life. Grace church became a point of great prominence in the city.

The activity of Dr. Jackson in Presbyterian circles was noteworthy and was marked by his success in abolishing the Freedmen's board and

Illinois.

Mrs. L. J. Ross,  
<sup>defender</sup>  
Noted Nurse,  
<sup>1-25-33</sup>  
Passes Away  
<sup>Chicago</sup>

## DEATH ENDS COLORFUL CAREER OF COL. WM. RANDOLPH COWAN

Mrs. Louisa Jefferson Ross, 56 years old, wife of Alexander J. Ross of 444 E. 48th St., passed away Feb. 16. Mrs. Ross was born in New Orleans where she received her early education. She graduated from Southern university, later graduating with high honors from Flint Goodrich Training School for Nurses, being valedictorian of her class. She studied a year at Baden-Baden, Germany.

During the World war she was placed in charge of the Race Gulf division of the Red Cross, doing such effective work that she received service stripes and a certificate of commendation signed by the late President Woodrow Wilson and President Herbert Hoover, then food conservator. She also received a scholarship in the School of Civics born Nov. 16, 1881.

**Earned \$12,000 a Year**  
Mr. Cowan came to Chicago in 1880 from Danville, Ky., where he was H. Hardin, Theodore E. Jones, Henry Teenan Jones and Harry Brown.

Last year Colonel Cowan, surrounded by a host of friends, celebrated his 72d birthday anniversary, recent years the color line has been drawn in Oakwood and as a rule only of that church was one of the many experiences and business contact in those members of the Race who purchased lots there years ago are buried

On an occasion when he was em-there now. Surviving are the widower, employed on the railroad he was in charge of a Pullman train that went vive are a brother, John; a nephew, two daughters, Mrs. Ethel Ross into the Northwest in the days before that section was settled.

In Danville Mr. Cowan was a Presbyterian, but in Chicago he frequently attended all churches. A week ago \$5,000,000 estate, which he managed Sergeant Starks, who also is a minister, until it was closed a few years ago, called on the stricken colonel. His annual income was more than \$12,000 for many years.

Among the hundreds of messages of condolence received by the family was one from Dr. Robert R. Moton of Tuskegee. Friends and acquaintances throughout the country sent flowers also one of his clients, as well as numerous other big enterprises in the immediate locality of 312 S. Clark St.

### Was Devoted Husband

In 1921 Mr. Cowan moved his office to 3423 Indiana Ave., in a building he owned, and entered the real estate business. He owned much property on the South side.

Mr. Cowan was devoted to his wife, whom he married Aug. 5, 1896. He seldom remained in any group very long before he would say, "I must go home to Peter," the name by which he affectionately called his wife. The Cowan home is at 3552 Giles Ave.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Charles S. Jackson's Funeral home, 3800 Michigan Ave., with Rev. William S. Braddan, pastor of Berean Baptist church, in charge. Remarks were made by Sergt. Frank R. Starks and Maj. Robert R. Jackson. David B. Hawley served as master of ceremonies.

### Buried in Oakwood

Mrs. Ellen Bronston read the obituary and Mrs. Elsie A. Breeding and Miss Madeline C. Hawkins sang solos.

Mr. Cowan was the first member of his race to run for alderman in Chicago, was twice president of the Appomattox club, of which he was a charter member, and served at one time as director of Binga State bank and of the Liberty Life Insurance company.

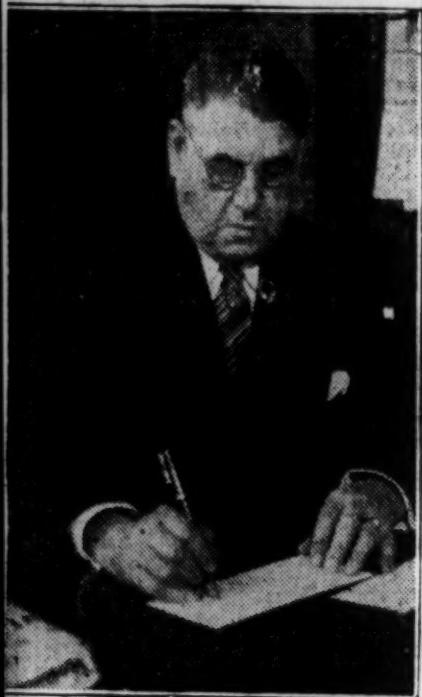
Buried

## Mrs. C. O. Lewis Old Illinoisan, Dies

CAIRO, Ill., July 21.—Mrs. C. O. Lewis, wife of J. C. Lewis, 12th St., died July 19 following a short illness. Mr. Lewis, a prominent citizen of Cairo for the past 20 years, and connected with the public schools for 37 years, was born in Mt. Sterling, Ky.

~~Deceased~~  
~~Survivor~~  
She graduated from Berea college, Berea, Ky., and took various courses in post-graduate work at the University of Chicago, Chicago Normal college, and Bradley Institute and in addition spent several months in travel abroad.

She is survived by her widower, J. C. Lewis, for many years principal of Sumner high school and at present principal of East Side high



COL. WILLIAM R. COWAN

Veteran real estate man and well known in both political and fraternal affairs of the city, was buried here Monday. He died in Provident hospital May 27.

## Dies Suddenly



CHICAGO, Ill. (AP)—Attorney David E. Henderson, who with the outgoing of the Hoover administration last March left the office of special assistant to the United States Attorney General, which he held, died here suddenly Thursday June 8. Mr. Henderson succumbed during an attack of acute indigestion.

A lawyer of outstanding ability, Mr. Henderson was appointed to his federal position as a result of the influence of Senator Henry Allen of Kansas in 1929 and largely as a gesture to counteract the opposition against Senator Allen for the latter's support of Judge John J. Parker for the U. S. Supreme Court.

# POLICE OFFICER Records GEORGE PAXTON 1876-1933 BURIED TUESDAY *Indianapolis Indiana*

George B. Paxton, ex-soldier and retired Indianapolis Police officer, was buried Tuesday with simple, impressive funeral services at the

Veterans hospital Wednesday and died Friday. He lived at 2014 Highland place. He was confined several months last year in the Government Hospital at Danville, Illinois.

Born July 4th, 1876, in North Carolina, he came here in 1912 and was appointed a policeman in May 1925. He was retired in January 1931, because of illness.

Surviving are a wife, Mrs. Alice Paxton; a son, John A. Paxton, Chicago and a brother, Winslow Paxton, Richmond, Virginia.



GEORGE B. PAXTON

mortuary of C. M. C. Willis & Son. Rev. R. C. Henderson, pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal church, of which Mr. Paxton was a member, officiated. A pervading sense of dignified simplicity throughout the program of prayer by Rev. Robert E. Skelton; Scripture reading by Rev. Charles Lewis, the reading of resolutions from the Indianapolis Police department; Musical numbers by Mrs. Florence Finley and Hayes Wilson and the Eulogy by Rev. Henderson. Pallbearers, members of the Indianapolis Police force were: Thomas Hopson, Norville Bennett, Preston Heater, Fred Starks, Thomas Nosby and James Vincent. Burial was in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mr. Paxton, who was a Spanish war veteran, was admitted to the

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Iowa

## FORMER HEAD Pittsburgh Courier OF LAWYERS' ASS'N DIES 1-15-33 Pittsburg Pa.

DES MOINES, Iowa, July 13.—Death claimed Iowa's oldest practicing Negro lawyer here Friday, when George H. Woodson, 67, outstanding citizen and former deputy collector of customs died at his residence on Easton boulevard, following a stroke suffered ten weeks ago.

Attorney Woodson was a native of Virginia, received his A.B. degree from Petersburg College and his legal degree from the Howard Law School. He is credited with having founded both the Iowa Negro Bar and the National Negro Bar Associations and had served as president of both organizations.

## FOUNDER OF BAR ASSOCIATION DIES

DES MOINES, Iowa, July 13.—George H. Woodson, 67, oldest practicing lawyer in Iowa and former deputy collector of customs, died at 3 p.m. Friday at his home, 2529 Easton Boulevard, following a stroke suffered ten weeks ago.

A native of Virginia, he received his A.B. degree from Petersburg College in 1890. He served three years in the 25th United States Infantry.

### Degree in 1896

Mr. Woodson entered the law college of Howard University, Washington, D.C., and received his degree in 1896.

He came to Iowa shortly afterwards and practiced law here since

### Founded Negro Bar

Active in matters affecting his race group, he is credited with having founded both the Iowa bar and the National Negro bar associations.

He was the first president of both organizations, and at the time of his death was president emeritus of both.

### Wife Survives

He was a member of the Odd Fellows, was a Shriner and a past master of the Negro Masons, a member of the Knights of Pythias and the United Brothers of Friendship.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Woodson.

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Kansas

# PRES. KING AND 2 OTHERS DEAD

Miss Willetta Hyde, Formerly of St. Louis Instantly Killed. Louise Bruce Dies in the Ambulance.

## ON WAY TO TOPEKA FOR INAUGURATION

Registrar J. Robert Ransom Seriously Injured, But Expected to Survive.

Special to the St. Louis Argus.  
LAWRENCE, Kans., Jan. 12.—A sedan, bearing four prominent educators from Western university at Quindaro, Kansas to Topeka for the inauguration of Governor Alf Landon sped off a sharp curb and crashed into a ditch at Midland, four miles north of here, about 12:30 p. m. Monday. Death resulted for two members of the party; the third member was perhaps mortally injured, while the fourth was seriously injured.

The dead:  
President Jefferson P. King of the university, who died at 11 here about thirty years, was a special assistant to the attorney general Lawrence Memorial hospital, of the United States. He was appointed where he was taken following the accident.

Miss Willetta Hyde, financial secretary of the university, killed instantly.

Miss Louise Bruce, instructor of vocational English, died in ambulance.

The injured:  
Prof. J. Robert Ransom, registrar of the university, was seriously hurt but expected to recover, also at Lawrence Memorial Hospital.

All Widely Known  
Miss Hyde, formerly national beneficiary secretary of the A. U. K. and D. of A. at St. Louis, was from Chicago. She was promi-

gent socially and well known in many sections of the country.

Miss Bruce, who was thought to have been driving the car when the accident occurred, was the daughter of Prof. and Mrs. B. S. K. Bruce, principal and school teacher, respectively at Leavenworth, Kansas. She was a graduate of the University of Michigan and a national figure in the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. She served as a canteen girl in France during the World War and was prominent in Y. W. C. A. work. Her father is a former collector of customs at New York.

Dr. King was made president of Western about three years ago, before which he had been instructor in Sumner High School of Kansas City, Kansas, and principal of Northeast Junior High School, Kansas City, Kansas.

Prominent Atty.

## Taken By Death

Thurs. Morning

End to Widely Known Kansas City, Kansas Lawyer in Chicago.

Top Notch Lawyer

David E. Henderson, one of the most widely known lawyers in the United States, died unexpectedly early Thursday in Chicago, according to word received by relatives here.

Henderson, who had practiced law here about thirty years, was a special assistant to the attorney general Lawrence Memorial hospital, of the United States. He was appointed where he was taken following the accident. He was a deputy under several Wyandotte County attorneys.

Attorney Henderson was a graduate of the law school at the university of Kansas. He established a record here as a lawyer which has not been surpassed by any. Serving as a deputy under several Republican county Attorneys gave him recognition in the rank and file of the party and in September of 1930 he was named to the attorney general of the United States.

Henderson played a very active part in politics throughout the state of Kansas for over thirty years.

He leaves his widow, a daughter

Miss Alice Henderson, and a son, Frank Henderson, all of the home, 622 Troup avenue, Kansas City, Kan-

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Louisiana

New Orleans, La., Item

October 3, 1933

### Veteran Teacher Of

#### Negroes Succumbs

Deborah Guidry, for 25 years a teacher of Negroes, and prominently associated with movements for the betterment of the race, died Monday.

She taught for 20 years in the Fisk school for Negroes, now the A. P. Williams school, and for five years at the Daniel Hand school, affiliated with Straight college. She was a director of the Peoples' Industrial Life Insurance company and the Isabelle Hume Colored Day Nursery.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. at her home, 223 South Miro street and at St. Luke's Episcopal church, Fourth and Carondelet streets, with interment in St. Louis cemetery No. 3.

### Louisiana Lodge

#### Leader Dies

11-10-33

#### B. V. BARANCO, GRANDMASTER OF ODD FELLOWS AND INSURANCE HEAD, DIES AT 62

Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 10 (AP) — B. V. Baranco, grandmaster of Louisiana Odd Fellows and president of the People's Industrial Life Insurance company, passed away at his home here early last Monday morning. Death came at the age of 62 after an illness lasting six days.

Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday afternoon and later at Bethel A. M. E. church with the Rev. J. W. Washington officiating. Burial was made in Magnolia cemetery.

Mr. Baranco was born in Baton Rouge where he reared a family of eight children and became one of the most responsible business leaders of the city. As leader of Odd Fellows in this state, he was the chief influence behind the erection of the Odd Fellow temple here. He was also deputy grand master of the national Body. In politics he was an active Republican and was associated, during the latter's lifetime, with the late Walter R. Cohen.

Mr. Baranco's widow and eight children survive him. Of the three boys, one is a physician and one a dentist in this city; the other is a student. One of the girls is a teacher in this city, one a student at Fisk; two are bookkeepers, and one is the wife of a dentist here.

## Dejoie Dies; Was Ill for Eight Months

Defender

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 1.—  
After an illness of several months Joseph J. Dejoie, prominent young druggist and business man, died Nov. 21. Funeral services were conducted by ~~Rev. Father Dw~~ Holy Ghost Catholic church with interment at St. Louis cemetery No. 1.

An extended trip in the West having failed to restore his health, Mr. Dejoie returned home and had been confined to his bed at the home of his mother, Mrs. Joseph J. Dejoie, on Danneel St., for the past eight months.

Mr. Dejoie was one of the organizers and first secretary of the Association of Independent Druggists, president of the Miscenzymes Laboratories, Inc., and a member of the board of directors of the Louisiana Industrial Life Insurance company. A graduate of Talladega college and Howard university, he held membership in Chi Delta Mu fraternity, New Orleans Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical association, Talladega Alumni club, Young Men's Mutual and the Coachmen's Benevolent associations.

Surviving the deceased are his widowed mother, a son, Joseph; his sisters, Mrs. Cuille A. Tureaud Misses Marie, Myrtle and Anna Dejoie; his brothers, Alvin, Leonidas Byron, Burel and Wellington Dejoie.

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Maryland

**EX-COUNCILMAN  
WIFE DIE TOGETHER**

1-1-3

ANNAPOLIS, Md.—John Stepney, 58, of Washington, former councilman, died here last week, and his wife followed 45 minutes later from shock when told her husband was dead.

A double funeral took place Sunday. John M. Johnson was the mortician.

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## Massachusetts.

# MASTER OF HYDE SCHOOL DEAD N. E. NEGRO DEAD

Casper Isham Had Been at Robert Wilson Was Once  
the Hyde School for 24 Secretary of Boston Post  
1 Years Editor

Hundreds of boys and girls who attended the Hyde, Sherwin and Lafayette schools in the Roxbury district will learn with regret of the sudden death of Casper Isham, master of the Hyde School on Tuesday, January 9.

Mr. Isham died of acute indigestion at his home, 320 Lake avenue, Newton Highlands. He had returned from the Hyde School earlier in the day, and had been active in his duties.

Funeral services will be held at the Newton Highlands Congregational Church at 2:30 today. Floral tributes were sent from the school as well as from many of the parents of the pupils. On Friday afternoon the pupils of the school held services in memory of Mr. Isham.

Mr. Isham has been master of the Hyde School district for 24 years. During that time thousands of colored pupils have passed through his schools. He has taught in the Boston School System for 36 years. He was a native of Columbia, Conn., and was a graduate from the University of the City of New York with a degree of Master of Pedagogy. He was 69 years old.

Among the distinguished pupils who came through the Hyde district were: Miss Wilhelmina Crosson, Miss Gertrude Smith, who is now teaching in the Hyde School; Everett Yates, teacher at the Rice School; Irving Howe, truant officer in the Boston School system, and several others.

## HENRY NORMAN DEAD; NEGRO EVANGELIST

Descendant of Abyssinian King  
Was Civil War Veteran  
and an Author.

Special to The New York Times.

BOSTON, March 24.—Henry Norman, Negro evangelist and grandson of an Abyssinian King, who nightly for years assembled hundreds of listeners in Pemberton

Square here by simply laying his mat on the sidewalk and starting to preach, died in his eightieth year yesterday at his home, 40 Humboldt Avenue, Roxbury.

The giant Negro had been successively a Civil War soldier, a boxer, an evangelist and an author. His homely philosophy won praise from a Harvard commencement orator, and his sincerity gained for him the distinction of being one of the few speakers in Pemberton Square and Charles Street Mall who never were heckled.

His grandfather fled to this country during an Abyssinian political disturbance. Henry Norman was born in Concordville, Pa., near Philadelphia. At the age of 18 he came to Boston and enlisted in Colonel Robert Gould Shaw's Fifty-fourth Massachusetts Volunteers, a regiment commemorated by Saint-Gaudens' statue on the crest of Beacon Hill. At Fort Wagner Colonel Shaw fell at Norman's feet.

After the war Norman made his home in Lynn, where he operated a boxing school. He was then 6 feet 2 inches tall, and weighed 230 pounds. Some one offered to pay his expenses to meet John L. Sullivan in the ring, and he was in training for the fight when the champion drew the color line by refusing to meet Peter Jackson.

About that time "some Christian people took an interest in me," Norman explained. He burned his boxing paraphernalia and started his preaching career, which continued until his death, although lightened considerably in the last five years.

The self-educated Negro's philosophy was set forth in his book "Thoughts I Met on the Highway," which had a sale of 100,000 copies.

## General Ames of Ames Chapel

General Adelbert Ames, white, last surviving Union general of the Civil War, and philanthropist extraordinary, died this week.

He was commander of a brigade in Meade's Army at Gettysburg, Provisional Governor of Mississippi after the war, and commander of volunteers in the Spanish American War. Of the other side of him, however, the public knows little.

He gave liberally to Hampton and Tuskegee, but never desired publicity. He was a friend and backer of General Ames, among the Hamptonians, and gave the funds for the churches in many Southern cities. (Baltimore has an Ames Chapel without their Ames Chapel) and Ames Halls.

Lives of men like General Ames remind us how poor indeed would we have been in friend-George W. Harris, publisher; Ferdinand Q. Morton, civil service com-missioner; Aubrey Bowser, public teacher and fiction writer; Henry K. Craft, executive secretary of the West 135th Street Y. M. C. A., and A. Granville Dill, director of the Harlem Personal Service Bureau.

## MRS. CAUTION DIES IN HOME

Social Worker Taken to Cambridge for Burial There

The tea they were to give on Sunday past in honor of Mrs. Estelle Caution as a token of appreciation for her years of unselfish service to unwed mothers was not given—and probably never will—for Mrs. Caution is dead.

The end came with shocking suddenness Thursday evening. At work on the second floor of the Harry Ferguson Home for unwed mothers, 162 West 130th street, whose activities and inmates she has supervised over the past twelve years, she collapsed without warning. She was dead before medical aid could reach her.

The matron—she was said to have been in her late sixties—was buried Saturday at Cambridge, Mass., her native home, following two funeral services, one in Cambridge at the Christ Church and one here at the home on Friday evening.

At the local funeral rites conducted by the Rev. Sheldon Hale Bishop, rector of St. Philip's P. E. Church, they—Fred R. Moore of the New York Age and others—agreed that Mrs. Caution had been a "woman full of sympathy and understanding for unfortunate charges," a woman who regarded them as unfortunates rather than as "bad girls," who was sold to the belief that they were in need of "mothering" and sought to provide it, and who loved her work and was dearly loved.

He gave liberally to Hampton and Tuskegee. When she lived in Cambridge, Mrs. Caution played the role of "mother" by converting her residence into a home for some of the most outstanding Negroes in the country, who at the time were students at Harvard

University. Among them were Dr. W. E. DuBois, editor and author; George W. Harris, publisher; Ferdinand Q. Morton, civil service commissioner; Aubrey Bowser, public teacher and fiction writer; Henry K. Craft, executive secretary of the West 135th Street Y. M. C. A., and A. Granville Dill, director of the Harlem Personal Service Bureau.

Surviving Mrs. Caution are three sisters, Mrs. Anna Carter, Miss Eva Lewis and Mrs. R. Spencer, all of Cambridge; a daughter and a son, Mrs. Gladys Kelley of the Dunbar Apartments and Lewis B. Caution of Cambridge; a granddaughter, Ethel Kelley; two nieces and two nephews, Belva Overton, Chicago; Russell Caution, Atlantic City; Frank Young, Kansas City, Mo., and Miss Ethel Caution, director of the Club Carolyn here.

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Michigan.

married Alice Perkins and from this union two children were born, Bernadine and Lowell, Jr. Bernadine is now a school teacher in Detroit and Lowell operator of several gasoline stations.

**Baker, Sumner**  
Construction Engineer  
1905-1933

Started Under Roosevelt.  
President Theodore Roosevelt appointed Mr. Baker to supervise the construction of a post office at Zanesville, Ohio, in 1908. He was later assigned to a construction job in Lafayette, Ind. Many cities, particularly in Indiana, Illinois and Ohio, had post offices erected under the supervision of Mr. Baker.

He moved to Detroit in 1913 with his family. During the spring of 1918 he lost his wife. In 1920 he married Bertha Birnart, his present wife, who was at his bedside when he died.

**Officials at Funeral.**

During the years of service with the government, Mr. Baker had established himself on firm soil with his efficient supervision in the construction of Federal buildings. Government officials who attended the funeral, one of the largest in the history of Detroit, were high in their praise of the able engineer.

**Relatives in D.C.**

Mr. Baker is survived by his wife, Bertha, two children, Bernadine and Lowell, Jr.; two half sisters, Madde Gunney and Jennie Williamson, Washington, D.C.; and two half brothers, Walter Williamson, of Washington, D.C., and Thomas Williamson, of Detroit.

Mississippi.

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Jackson, Miss., News  
September 3, 1933

# Famed Delta Negro Dies

X-INDIANOLA WOMAN WEALTHY

## Chief Figure In P.O. War

INDIANOLA, Sept. 2.—(Special) Minnie Cox Hamilton, the most famous of all former negro citizens here, died at her home in Rockford, Illinois. Her body was brought to Indianola Friday for viewing and will be laid to rest before her first husband, Wayne Cox, in the Little Rock cemetery, Sunday afternoon, September 3.

Minnie Cox was at one time considered the wealthiest negro woman in the country. She was the owner of the largest negro life insurance company in this part of the South. She also was the owner of a number of small plantations, all of which, until recent years, were money makers. She is known as a careful and successful business woman and was generally esteemed by all who knew her, white and colored alike. She had one of the best homes in the city and always kept her rooms ready for occupancy when she returned from the North to look after her many interests here.

She was kind to members of her race and her constant advice to them served to make them better citizens and keep Indianola's reputation up as a city where the races were always friendly and no race trouble ever occurred.

She was very charitable to all and gave to every worthy movement in a most liberal manner.

She was a graduate of Alcorn College for colored people and improved every opportunity of broadening the scope of her knowledge.

But her principal rise to fame came in the winter of 1902-03, while she was postmaster of the then town of Indianola, now city.

At that time it seemed that the peaceful town and county was to experience an incipient race war. Her attitude then, as always during her career, was one of resignation and agreement with the white people, and while the post office was run merrily on Minnie Cox, regarding her position as postmaster, she said: "If I had known that the white people did not want me as postmaster I never would have accepted the appointment." She came to Birmingham to live until the excitement abated and then

white and colored friends.

Her husband, Wayne Cox, founded the Delta Penny Savings Bank, and two colored life insurance companies, all of which were very successful business ventures. They accumulated considerable property which was greatly added to by Minnie after the death of Wayne Cox. Minnie Cox Hamilton leaves to mourn her loss, besides her husband, one daughter, Ethel, who for the past few years has been assisting her mother in the management of the plantations and city property.

## Hundreds Attend Rites For Negro Woman Of Delta

INDIANOLA, MISS., Sept. 4.—(AP)— More than 1,000 persons, white and black, attended the funeral of Minnie Cox Hamilton, wealthy Mississippi delta negro woman, and once the storm center of a delta "postoffice war" which for a time threatened grave consequences.

Her body was brought to this, her home city, for burial today, following her death several days ago in Rockford, Ill., where she had lived several years.

The post office trouble occurred in 1902-03 when it was named as Indianola postmistress. Older residents recalled today that a race crisis developed as a result of the appointment and that she resigned with the assertion that she did not care to serve if the white population's objection was so strong. Postmaster General Payne, however, refused to accept the resignation and closed the post office.

During the crisis she moved to Birmingham. At the time she was rated one of the wealthiest in the South, holding large interests in banks, plantations, and other enterprises.

Minnie lived here for a number of years after that. Wayne Cox, her husband, died in 1910 and she managed the affairs of the estate very successfully and finally married a man by the name of Hamilton and moved to his home in Rockford, Ill., where she lived until her death, coming back here every year to look after her land and crop interests and renewing the ties of friendship with her former

**Brakeman Dies****Veteran Dies**

# Alone in Home at Death

By R. C. FISHER

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 21.—The funeral of C. K. Robinson, pioneer publisher, editor and past supreme keeper of records and seal of the supreme lodge Knights of Pythias, who died at his home, 3408 S. Sale St. last Saturday afternoon, was held Wednesday morning from St. Paul A. M. E. church, with burial in Washington park cemetery.

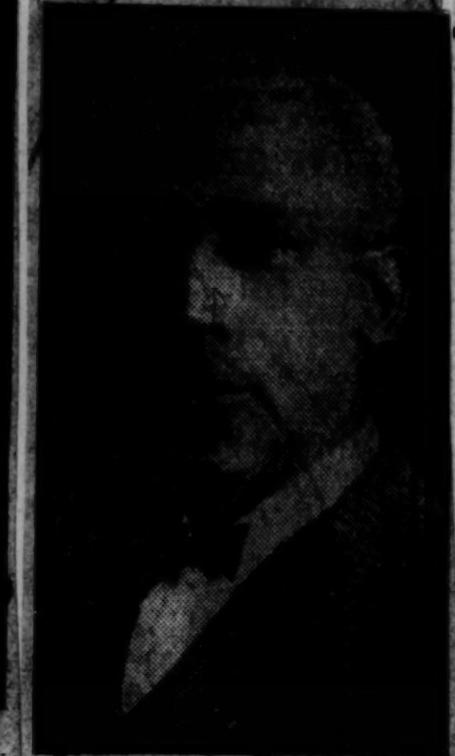
James E. Steward, the only colored brakeman on the Rock Island Railway Company, who died at his home, Kansas City, Mo., after a stroke of paralysis. He had been in railway service for 41 years. He was born in Shawnee county, Kas., 62 years ago.

Cooperative News Photo

## Dr. Bulkley, Brother of Mrs. N. B. Young, Is Dead

ST. LOUIS.—Dr. William L. Bulkley, for more than 25 years principal of a New York high school, died recently in Nice, France, where he had made his home for a number of years since his retirement from school work.

Dr. Bulkley, who was 78, was one of the founders of the Urban League and was a brother of Mrs. Nathan B. Young, wife of the late Nathan B. Young, educator, who at one time was president of Lincoln university of Jefferson City.



ceased brother last Tuesday night at cons.  
the W. C. Gordon Funeral parlors.

Aaron W. Lloyd, grand chancellor of state Pythians, delivered a eulogy white persons who were intimate at the church Wednesday afternoon. He spoke of Robinson as an honest and industrious man who possessed a marked degree of Race pride. What he was employed to do he did diligently and he did it well and faithfully, the grand chancellor related. A sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Gomez, pastor of St. Paul church, of which Robinson was a member and former trustee. Bishop Noah W. Williams assisted in the funeral services.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the Anniversary, Missouri Republican and Forum clubs and past grand chancellors of Missouri. Active pallbearers were A. W. Lloyd, W. M. Johnson, James Scott and L. S. Curtis.

Robinson, an elaborate writer and deep thinker on Pythian ethics, gave Missouri grand lodge the first complete and equitable endowment scheme that has proved a success and enables it to pay claims promptly, a most thorough business management and sound laws.

Pride of the West lodge No. 1, K. of P., had charge of the body of the deceased. Besides his widow, Mrs. Jesse D. Robinson; a daughter, Mrs. Mary R. Clark of Chicago, survive.

## One of the Oldest Negro Harvard Graduates Dead

WASHINGTON. — (CNS) — Dr. Henry Bailey, 89 years a teacher in the local high schools here, and one of the oldest Negro graduates of Harvard University, was found dead in his kitchen here last week. He died of heart failure. Dr. Bailey is survived by his widow and two children.

## Colorful Career of Veteran Democrat Closed By Death

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (AP)—Joseph A. Holland, whose colorful career had distinguished him in many lines of endeavor, is dead, following an operation for cancer of the throat.

Holland, a Democrat, was widely known and his fashionable clothes always attracted attention. In the realm of fraternalism he was judge advocate general of the staff of the Brigadier General of the Missouri Knights of Pythias. A strikingly tall figure, with military bearing, Holland was 60 years old.

Splendor marked his funeral last Sunday, August 27, at Calvary Baptist church where Holland served as a member of the board of de-

The funeral procession, several blocks, long included a number of friends of Holland in the days when there were just a few Negroes affiliated with the Democratic party. Holland's political prestige gained for himself two or three worthwhile jobs.

## GUNS ROOM AS NURSE IN CIVIL WAR IS BURIED

Full Military Honors Are Paid Heroine Who Nursed Union Soldiers

ST. LOUIS.—Under a sky as somberly blue as the uniforms of the union soldiers whom she nursed during the Civil War, Mrs. Catherine Thomas, 93, who was one of the few surviving heroines who served back in the '60's, was laid to rest in the National cemetery at Jefferson Barracks. Soldiers of the Sixth Infantry fired a volley over her grave as clear-toned bugles played "taps" while the flag-draped coffin was being lowered. In recognition of her four faithful, dangerous years of service she gave the union forces, full military honors were accorded the aged woman.

Until her death Mrs. Thomas lived in a two room frame shack at 100 East Prairie street, where frequently children gathered wide-eyed at her feet to hear her glamorous and exciting tales of the "great war," for the Civil War to her was the greatest of them all.

**Born A Slave**  
Mrs. Thomas was born in Mississippi, a slave. Then her family escaped to Kansas where she joined the forces that were battling for the freedom of her race.

At the end of the war she settled in St. Louis where she married Benjamin Thomas who died six years ago. Since 1900 she had received a government pension of

Was Prominent Pythian

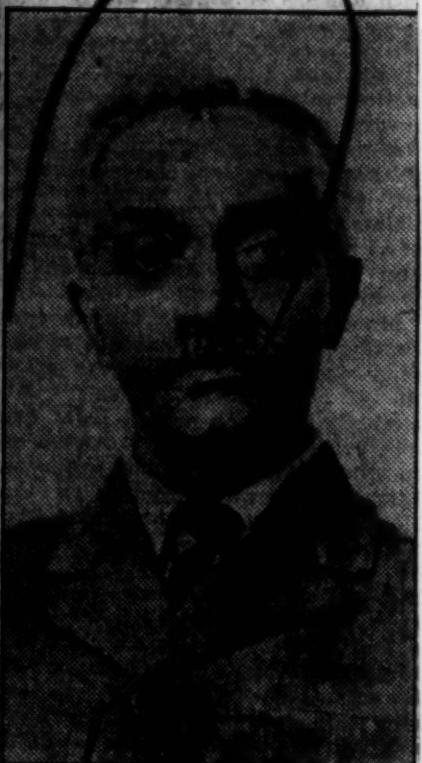
Grand Chancellor Lloyd and members of the grand lodge of Missouri Pythians, of which the venerable knight was a member, conducted ritualistic ceremonies for their de-

\$50 a month.

In her later years the old woman collected rags and bottles for spending money. Hers was a placid existence and she lived with her vivid memories of the war in which she had taken part not worried by other wars or the depression.

When she was stricken with kidney trouble suddenly, the end was near. She died within a few hours. The government paid her funeral expenses. She is survived by two adopted children, Mrs. Catherine Freeman and David Thomas.

Dies



JOHN LOVE

He taught history department of Lincoln High school and retired president of the local branch of the N. A. A. C. P. who died late Sunday night, July 28. He taught school here 22 years and joined the association branch 11 years before his retirement.

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Missouri.

# Prof. John S. Meekins, Noted Educator, Dies in Southland

NATCHEZ, Miss., April 21.—Following a short illness, Prof. John S. Meekins passed away Sunday morning at 5 o'clock at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. T. B. Coleman, 808 Oak St.

Professor Meekins was born in Natchez Jan. 4, 1852. He was the son of the late Samuel and Lucinda Jane Meekins. His father was an honored and respected citizen who took an active part in the affairs of Natchez during the early reconstruction period. Both father and son were intimately associated in Negro educational work, his father being one of the founders of the Union school, now known as Brumfield high.

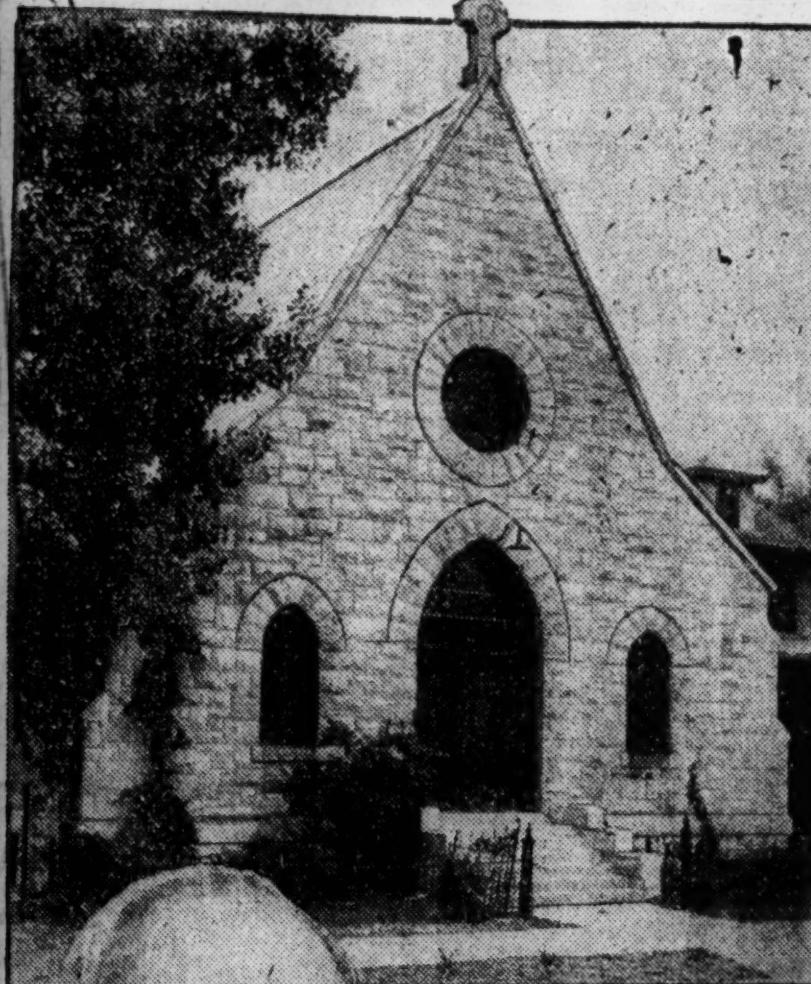
Professor Meekins was one of the teachers and principal for 19 years. Later he was one of the teachers of Prentiss Normal and Industrial Institute and a member of the faculty of Natchez college for 10 years.

Professor Meekins was well known throughout the state. The greater part of his life was spent in Natchez and practically 60 years of that varied and useful life inspired Negro youth in the schoolroom and on the rostrum. As a citizen he was respected and as an educator he ranked among the best. He is survived by three sons, John S. Jr. of New Orleans, La.; George R. of Memphis, Tenn., and C. Alvin of Vicksburg, Miss.; one daughter, Eliza L., the wife of Dr. T. B. Coleman, and two grand-daughters, Miss Alva L. Miller, a graduate of Atlanta university in 1930, and Baby M. Eliza Meekins.

The funeral took place at 3 o'clock Wednesday from Rose Hill Baptist church.

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# Father John Williams Dies



Episcopal church in Omaha, (shown above) who died Saturday night, robbing both the city of Omaha and the Episcopal church of one of their greatest men.

*Call*

OMAHA.—(ANP)—The Rev. John Albert Williams, rector of the Church of St. Philip the Deacon for 42 years, died here Saturday afternoon from a heart attack. He was 67 years old. *2-10-33*

While on the way to a dinner with his wife Wednesday evening, he stepped into a hole in the pavement. The shock caused by this misstep revived the heart ailment which struck him four years ago.

He died quietly in his sleep Saturday afternoon. His wife found the body.

FATHER JOHN A. WILLIAMS

For 42 years priest of the St. Philip the Deacon Protestant Episcopalian Church.

## Nebraska

### Was Senior Priest

Although the pastor of a church theological studies and presented which began with 16 members and by him for ordination. Father Williams grew to 200, Father Williams, preached the ordination service of his scholarship, wisdom vice. Later in the program there were leaders in the Protestant Episcopal addresses given by Bishop Shayler, the Rev. George Tyner, vicar church in the United States. In later, the Rev. George Tyner, vicar Omaha, he was one of the leading of St. Paul's; Mayor Richard L. citizens, regardless of color. He was the senior priest of the Omaha Beech News and William G. Haynes, senior warden of the parish.

His father was a Virginia slave, who escaped to Canada by way of the underground railroad. There the slave married a French-Canadian woman and Father Williams was born in Ontario. At the age of 13, his parents took him to Detroit where he joined a Sunday school class at the church of Bishop Worthington who later became the bishop of Omaha.

The youth showed such aptitude that Bishop Worthington became interested in him and had him educated for the priesthood. Mrs. Worthington gave the funds to pay for the building of the St. Philip church. Father Williams was ordained in this city by Bishop Worthington. Ordained at the time were Irving P. Johnson and Paul Matthews, now bishops of Colorado and New Jersey, respectively. Twelve years ago, Father Williams was nominated for the post of Bishop of Haiti, but lost by a few votes.

### Held High Honors

In 1929, he was the recipient of the Cross of Honor, Order of Sangreal, a high episcopal honor bestowed for distinguished service to the church and community. He was the only Omahan to hold this honor and one of the few in the world.

He was the first Negro to be a member of the Community Chest's governing board and he served on the Tornado Relief commission. He helped organize and was the first president of the Omaha branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

### (By the Call's Own Service)

OMAHA.—The Rev. John Albert Williams celebrated the fortieth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood of the Episcopal church Sunday, Oct. 18, 1931, St. Luke's Day at the Church of St. Philip the Deacon, of which he had been in charge during his entire ministry.

Among the important features of the celebration was the ordination at the 11 o'clock service of Dr. Craig Morris, a dentist of this city to the diaconate by the Rt. Rev. Ernest Vincent Shayler, bishop of Nebraska. Dr. Morris was baptized as an infant by Father Williams, prepared by him for con-

firmation supervised by him in his

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The Rev. John Albert Williams was born in London, Ontario, on Feb. 28, 1866, the son of Henry and Adaline (D'Or) Williams. In his thirteenth year, the family moved to Detroit. He was educated in the Canadian and Detroit schools and was graduated in theology from the Seabury Divinity school, Faribault, Minn., June 3, 1891, with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity.

He was ordained to the diaconate in St. Barnabas church of

which the Rev. John Williams was

rector, June 11 of that year and ad-

vanced to the priesthood by the Rt.

Rev. George Worthington, S. T. D.

bishop of Nebraska, Oct. 18, in St.

Matthias church.

### Gets Honorary Degree

There was ordained at the same time the Rev. Irving Peake Johnson, now bishop of Colorado, and the Rev. Paul Matthew's, now bishop of New Jersey. The three men have maintained a warm friendship throughout the years. In 1928 his alma mater conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor in Divinity.

The Rev. Dr. Williams or "Father John Albert," as he was generally called, had the distinction of serving the Diocese of Nebraska as assistant secretary and secretary; historiographer; editor of the Crozier, the diocesan journal; examining chaplain for 20 years and member of the Standing committee for four years. He was elected provisional deputy to the general convention in Detroit in 1919.

He was married in June, 1901, to Miss Lucinda Winifred Gamble, the first colored school teacher in Omaha. They have three children, Miss Dorothy E. Williams, a teacher in Tulsa, Okla.; Worthing L. Williams, of Omaha, and Miss Catherine A. Williams, a graduate of the University of Nebraska.

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New Jersey

~~Editor William E. Rock  
Dies Suddenly MON. J.~~

~~RED BANK, N.J.—Editor Wm.  
E. Rock, editor of the Red Bank  
Echo for more than 30 years, died  
suddenly on Sunday, June 25,  
after an illness of six weeks. He  
was 71 years old and was one of  
the earliest Negro settlers in the  
State.~~

~~7-8-33  
Funeral services were held Wed-  
nesday afternoon from St. Thom-  
as Episcopal Mission.~~

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New York

## CATHOLIC PRIEST DEAD

Maker of  
Priests Is  
Dead



FATHER UNCLE  
DIES IN N.Y.  
AT AGE OF 74

Death Comes Sudden-  
ly to Former Balti-  
more Divine.  
MAY HOLD RITES  
IN NEW YORK  
Only Surviving Broth-  
er Here Shocked.

NEWBURGH, N.Y.—  
Death ended the colorful career  
of Father Charles R. Uncles,  
Catholic priest and instructor at  
the Epiphany College, Thursday  
afternoon.

BALTIMORE, Md.—  
Father Uncles was 74 years old.  
He was born in Baltimore in 1859  
and was educated in the public  
schools of Baltimore. He studied  
for the priesthood at Montreal  
Canada, and made his final theo-  
logical studies in St. Mary's Sem-  
inary, Baltimore. He was or-  
dained to the priesthood in the  
Baltimore Cathedral by the late

Cardinal Gibbons.

He was for a short time engaged  
in Catholic mission work  
among colored people. He became  
a teacher at Epiphany College,  
at that time located in Wal-  
brook, Baltimore, Md., which was  
later removed to Newburgh, N.Y.

For 35 years he was professor  
of language and history, and has  
taught most every member of the  
Society of St. Joseph of the Sac-  
red Heart—a society dedicated  
largely to work among colored  
R a n d o l p h Catholics.

Uncles, former Norman Uncles, brother of Fath-  
Baltimore and a brother Uncles, was shocked at the an-  
nouncement of his brother's  
death. He received a wire last  
of languages at night.

Just a few hours before receiv-  
College, Newing the telegram he had received  
York, succumb-a letter informing him that his  
brother was improving but that  
night while he was unable to say Mass. They  
relatives here. Surviving Father Uncles are  
were expecting his brother Norman, two nephews,  
recovery. Fa-Norman, Jr., and Cornelius, and  
other Uncles has other relatives.

helped educate Father Uncles was in Baltimore  
last summer, his last visit, with  
nearly every his brother. He visited several  
Catholic priest local churches.

working among Father Uncles was ordained by and honorable record as professo  
colored people the late Cardinal Gibbons, Decem- in the St. Joseph's House of Str-  
in the country. Father Uncles was bended in January 1917 dy at Epiphany College. Seventy-  
His death is great ovation on the occasion of  
mourned thru his 25th anniversary. On this occ-  
asion Catholics from all over the  
out the length and breadth of Francis Xavier Church where he  
Catholicism in America. celebrated a solemn high mass.

On this occasion the entire  
citrieny of Baltimore joined in  
honoring the divine. A commit-  
tee headed by C. Marcellus Dor-  
sey presented him with a \$700  
purse. Among those who took an  
active part in the ceremonies  
were the late Councilman Harry  
S. Cummings, the late William C.  
McCard, Cris Perry of the Phila-  
delphia Tribune.

The late prelate was a native of  
Maryland. Before entering St.  
Hyacinth's College in Canada to get his scholastic training for the priesthood, he taught school in  
Baltimore County. He received his seminary training here at St. Mary's where Cardinal Gibbons  
also attended school.

Funeral services were conducted

## The First Negro Priest Ordained In U. S. Dies

The death on July 21 of the  
Rev. Charles R. Uncles, a member  
of the St. Joseph's Society of the  
Sacred Heart, brings to mind the  
widespread comment which at-  
tended his ordination by Cardi-  
nal Gibbons in the Baltimore  
Cathedral in 1892. Father Uncles  
was one of the first Negro priests  
ordained in the United States.

Father Augustus Tolton, who  
died in Chicago in 1902, was or-  
dained in Rome in 1881. Subse-  
quent to Father Uncles six Negro  
priests were ordained in the  
United States, and two have  
to work in this country, though  
but three survive. Of these three  
two only are now stationed in  
the United States. As was ob-  
served by Father Daniel Rice, S.  
S. J., who spoke at the funeral  
services held on July 24 at Epi-  
phany Apostolic College, New-  
burgh, N. Y., Father Uncles owed,

in large measure, his scholarly  
and endeavoring traits of character  
to his genuinely cultured par-  
ents. These traits never deserted  
him, and brought for him a long  
service of God, and forty-three  
blameless years as a priest, Re-  
ligious, and teacher of future  
priests and apostles, surely con-  
stitute abundant proof that the  
Spirit of God bloweth where He  
listeth, and that neither race nor  
color need be an obstacle to a  
genuine priestly vocation. Father  
Uncles took a deep interest in  
the advancement and welfare of  
his own race; never ceasing to  
encourage them when the oppor-  
tunity presented itself. Avoiding  
notoriety, seeking to influence  
more by example than by word,  
Father Uncles nevertheless pray-

ed for the day when young men  
of the Negro race would be rais-  
ed to work hand in hand  
with their white brethren in the  
priesthood for the conversion of  
the Negro millions of America.  
His long and edifying life points  
the profound lesson, that the  
Negro Catholics of this country  
will never fully share the nor-  
mal life of the Church, until all  
the seven Sacraments are spent  
among them as channels of the  
overflowing grace of the Redem-  
er.—From America Aug. 5.

New York.

**LOWVILLE N. Y. REPUBLICAN**  
**FEBRUARY 9, 1933**  
**ARTHUR T. SEYMOIR VICTIM**  
**OF MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT**

Retired New York Telephone and Telegraph Co. Engineer Dies in Newark, N. J., After Being Hit on Thursday.

Arthur T. Seymour, 66, native of the town of Turin and formerly of Lyons Falls, and a retired engineer of the New York Telephone and Telegraph Company, died Thursday afternoon at a hospital in Newark, N. J., after being struck by a motorcycle a few hours earlier.

Mr. Seymour, who was born in the town of Turin on Dec. 17, 1866, was a frequent visitor in Lewis county. His parents were J. Lucius and Lydia Sackett Seymour.

He was a direct descendant of Sir Edward Seymour, first duke of Somerset in England. His grandfather, Alvah Seymour, was born in Claybrook, Conn., on Nov. 13, 1775, and married Miss Sophronia Cowles, of Norfolk, Conn. He bought a farm in the town of Turin from Squire Stickney and Dr. Royal Dewey and came there in May, 1825. The farm is still in the possession of the family.

Mr. Seymour married Miss Mary Jennings of Mount Vernon, N. Y., who survives. He was graduated from Lowville Academy in 1888; from Cornell University in 1892 and taught for some time in Lafayette College and Tuskegee Institute before entering the employ of the New York Telephone and Telegraph Company as a special engineer. He retired in 1931 and made his home in Newark, where he was a member of the Brick Presbyterian church. He spent last summer in Lyons Falls.

He leaves, besides his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Katherine Martin, continuity director of the National Broadcasting Company, and Mrs. Adele Celke, both of New York city; one sister, Mrs. Mary Seymour, Lyons Falls; four brothers, Dwight and Alvah, Lyons Falls; Theodore, El Cajon, Calif., and Edward L., Apache, Ariz., and one grandson, Peter Celke.

The body was brought to Lyons Falls and the funeral held Sunday with interment in the Turin cemetery.

# THOMPSON, succumbs TO STROKE

*New York*  
**Veteran Journalist Is  
Victim of Attack in  
Hospital—Was 64**

Noah Davis Thompson, immaculate journalist of the old school, for whom last rites will be read tomorrow morning at the Catholic Church of the Resurrection, West 151st street near Macombs place, will no longer be a familiar sight—with his graying Van Dyke beard, light spats and flowing Windsor tie—wherever anything important to the newspaper profession is transpiring.

Mr. Thompson, associated in recent years with the Opportunity magazine as its business manager, and for the last few years Harlem's most stately representative of the press, succumbed early Monday morning—victim of a paralytic stroke at the Misericordia Hospital where he was rushed Thursday night. He was 64.

Officiating at his funeral services, scheduled for 10 a.m., will be the Rev. Fr. John La Farge, associate editor of "America." Interment will follow at Calvary Cemetery.

The deceased, who resided with his family at 211 West 149th street, was a native of Baltimore, where he was born on November 6, 1868. Graduating from the public schools of that city, he went to Chicago, where he took up a business course at the Gregg Business College. Later he matriculated at the University of Southern California.

Mr. Thompson's first wife, Lillian B. Murphy, daughter of John H. Murphy, founder of the Baltimore Afro-American, died in 1905. She left him an only son, Noah Murphy Thompson, now an employee of the Afro. Death also ended the elder Thompson's second marriage to Eloise A. Bibb in 1928. The following year he married Hattie Hopkins Moore

who now survives him.

During his lifetime Mr. Thompson was associated with scores of organizations and institutions. Between 1908 to 1911 he was on the faculty of the Tuskegee Institute. From 1913 to 1925 he worked for the Los Angeles Evening Press, and at one time was Marcus Garvey's official representative on the coast.

While a resident of Los Angeles he served as a member of the Municipal Housing Commission, as a special assistant civil service commissioner and as industrial secretary of the Urban League. He was a member of the Holy Name Society, the National Negro Builders League, the N. Y. A. C. P., Phi Beta Sigma fraternity and the Inter-Collegiate Association. He was a Republican.

During the World War he served on the Los Angeles Committee on Public Information, receiving an honorable discharge signed by President Woodrow Wilson. His connection with Opportunity began in 1927.

In addition to his wife and son, Mr. Thompson is survived by a brother, Samuel of Los Angeles, and a host of other relatives.

**THIS CLIPPING FROM THE  
STANDARD UNION**

*B'klyn, N.Y.*

**MAY 13 1935**

**Rev. Dr. Proctor's Death.**

While all fair-minded and liberty-loving Americans deprecate the political thralldom and social isolation to which colored people are subjected in certain areas of the country, it is gratifying to note that great intellectual endow-

ment will find a way to distinction, regardless of color, even in the remote South. The Rev. Henry H. Proctor, pastor of the Nazarene Congregational Church on Grand ave., was the son

of Abraham Lincoln. Born in Tennessee, sixty years ago, he was educated at Fisk University and, before entering the ministry, took

a theological course at Yale. All this cost him the money and the expense was met by the young student's active work at the printer's case. His first church service was at Atlanta, Ga., where he remained for a quarter of a century, a man of light and leading both to his own people and to a majority of white citizens, won by his intellectual honesty and his unfaltering courage.

He came to Brooklyn in 1920, one of the recognized leaders of his race. The good relations he had maintained with the people of Atlanta were enlarged in his intercourse with his new neighbors. A recent accident in which a portion

of metal bruised and entered his hand, brought on blood poisoning which resulted in his death.

And Brooklyn, without regard to color or

race, without regard to creed, regrets the passing of an eloquent pastor

and a stout defender of his people.

# Thousands Mourn Sudden Death Of Rev. Henry Hugh Proctor, Pastor Of Nazarene Congregational Church

Thousands of persons from all walks of life, both white and black, crowded into the spacious Nazarene Congregational Church, Grand course at Yale University, from

avenue and which he was graduated with the Lefferts place, degree of B. D. in 1894. He was Monday after 22 when he went to Atlanta, Ga., noon, May 15, in 1894 to accept his first pastorate, and paid their His church grew from a membership of about 400 to a membership of respect to of 1000 with a plant worth a late Rev. quarter-million dollars.

Dr. Henry H. Dr. Proctor's wife was at one time a teacher in Fisk University. His eldest son, Henry Hugh Proctor Jr. now a lawyer in Chicago, was a lieutenant overseas in the 366th Regiment, and Muriel, his a foremen-est daughter, is a teacher in P. S. 133 of this city. She is a graduate since 1920, ate of Atlanta University.

Another daughter, Lillian, is a teacher in the Minor Normal School, Washington, D. C., a graduate of Fisk University, and studied social service in Chicago University.

Another son, Roy, is one of Brooklyn's leading dentists, and a daughter, Vashti, is a public school teacher in this borough.

**Dr. Cadman Delivers Eulogy**  
The Rev. Dr. S. Parks Cadman, noted white clergyman, writer and personal friend of the late Rev. Proctor delivered the eulogy and officiated at the funeral services.

Assisting Dr. Cadman was the Rev. A. C. Garner, pastor of the Grace Congregational Church, Manhattan; the Rev. George Hinton, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Corona, L. I.; and A. N. Johnson, representing the Alumni Association of Fisk University.

The body lay in state in the church from 10 o'clock Monday morning until after the services. Interment was at Atlanta, Georgia.

The Proctors resided at 444 Quincy street.



Before the time set for the funeral services, the spacious auditorium of the Nazarene Congregational Church was packed to capacity with standing room at a premium. Many waited in the vestibules and outside to have the opportunity to review the remains of the noted pastor. Floral tributes were beautiful and numerous with flowers covering the entire front of the church while the deceased reposed as though sleeping.

change as intelligence, culture, and religion become more current. The day of brotherhood is bound to come."

## **Author As Well As Pastor**

Dr. Proctor's entire career in the ministry has been devoted to a constant fight against color segregation by the white race. In 1906 he headed the Inter-Racial Committee in Atlanta.

Dr. Proctor's funeral was one of the largest funerals ever witnessed in Brooklyn.

## His Pastorates

His first pastorate was that of Coming to Brooklyn in 1920, Dr. the First Congregational Church at Proctor became pastor of Nazarene Atlanta, Ga. where he remained for 25 years. While in Atlanta he was for the second time in his career, recognized by the people of both races as one of the vital religious forces of the city. built up one of the largest colored Congregational churches in the country.

During the world war, at the request of General Pershing, Dr. Proctor went to France under the vice-chairman of the Urban League auspices of the Y. M. C. A. war of Brooklyn; president of the Diana council, to make a tour among the Pace's Orphanage Asylum, and colored troops. With a pianist assistant moderator of the National and a singer, Dr. Proctor traveled Church in New York State. He 100,000 miles in France, reaching over has served for many years as a trustee of Fisk University. Dr. Proctor also served as president as "Proctor's Party."

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When Dr. Proctor first came to the Carrie Steele Orphanage in Brooklyn, Nazarene Church was located at Herkimer street and Troy Avenue. In 1927 the church congregation numbered 167. In 1929 there were more than 1000 members. During his pastorate the present church which now houses the congregation and community centre were purchased.

In 1926 Dr. Proctor was at a cost of \$117,500. named Moderator of the Congregational Churches. Although he was never a candidate for public office, Dr. Proctor

Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft were among those who visited Dr. Proctor's church in Atlanta. It was the influence that came out of this church which promoted the solution of the famous Atlanta riot. After the Atlanta race riots, Dr. Proctor acted as a peacemaker and he and a young white lawyer started the inter-racial movement which has spread throughout the country.

**CAPT. MARSHALL  
DIES IN N.Y.**

*Afro-American*  
Co-op News

NEW YORK.—Taps were sound-

Dr. Proctor often said that he believed the day was coming when there "would be only one race, the human race; one language, the English language; and one religion, the Christian religion."

He had declared that the barriers of racial and denominational prejudices were bound to break down and that as prejudice disappeared, the channels of self-expression would be opened to the colored man, his confidence would be restored, and he would make rapid progress in every walk of life.

a native of Washington, has been a resident of New York for 22 years and will be returned to Washington for interment at Arlington Cemetery. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Harriett Gibbs Mar-

"These prejudices", Dr. Proctor said, "are psychological, they must

~~ed overseas as one of the five officers in the 24th Infantry.~~

He was appointed by President Coolidge as military attaché to the American Legation at Port-au-Prince, Haiti, serving six years.

Besides his widow, who heads a Washington music conservatory, the deceased is survived by a brother and a sister, Alzena Diggs of Oklahoma and Leland Marshall of 14 West 139th Street.

~~First Race Catholic  
Priest in U. S. Dies~~

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., July 28.—Rev. Charles C. Uncles, believed to have been the first Race man ordained to the priesthood by the Catholic church in the United States, died Friday at his home in New Windsor at the age of 73.



# CAPT. MARSHAL DIES IN N.Y.

*Go-on New*

**NEW YORK.**—Taps were sounded for Captain Napoleon Bonaparte Marshall, lawyer, war vet and government employee, who succumbed at the age of 63 at the U.S. Veterans' Base Hospital No. 81, Monday.

Capt. Marshall, a native of Washington, has been a resident of New York for 22 years and will be returned to Washington for interment at Arlington Cemetery. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Harriett Gibbs Marshall. He was a graduate of both Harvard University and Harvard Law School. He served

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Raleigh, N. C., Reformer  
Saturday, February 11, 1933

## Noted Negro Educator Passes At Franklinton

The funeral services of Dr. John A. Savage, who for forty years was principal of Albion Academy and pastor of the Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church in Franklinton, were held here Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m.

The deceased was born in Carroll Parish, La., September 18, 1857, attended Lincoln University, Oxford, Pa., from which he graduated with high honors. Beginning his work in North Carolina 45 years ago, he wrought well and built up Albion Academy at Franklinton, N. C., so that it is now one of the best secondary schools in the South.

Dr. Savage died January 1, 1933, at 6:35 p.m., after a brief illness. During his career he held the following offices: member of the Board of National Missions, Presbyterian Church, member of Masonic fraternity, stated clerk Catawba Synod, member of Inter-racial Commission of North Carolina, principal Albion Academy 45 years, pastor of Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church 45 years.

"Just As I Am" was the opening hymn sung by the choir, after which Rev. J. P. Mangum of the Albion faculty read the Scripture from the 90th Psalm. Another hymn, "No, Not Despairingly," was sung. Prayer followed, offered by Rev. H. T. McFadden. Dr. Baker read the telegrams, resolutions, and letters from the church, school, and friends. Dr. Dillard spoke briefly of Dr. Savage's early life. Dr. Cotton, of Henderson, said that he had known Dr. Savage for over 30 years, and that he was a man of character and had lived in such a way as to leave an impression on the lives of his students.

Dr. C. E. Tucker, of Tennessee, met Dr. Savage 50 years ago in New Bern, N. C., and said that he owed to Dr. Savage his ability to serve. Dr. Downing, of Roanoke, Va.; Dr. J. A. Bonner, of Wilmington, and Dr. McCrorey, of Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, made brief remarks

concerning the life of Dr. Savage as an educator, friend, uplifter, and benefactor of human society.

Prof. T. A. Long, of Charlotte, and Prof. H. Vick, of Wilson, N. C., characterized Dr. Savage as a man of high ideals, honesty, and sincerity.

Dr. Gaston, of the Board of National Missions in Pittsburgh, Pa., gave the history of his relations with Dr. Savage as a leader in the various assemblies of the church. He spoke of him as being mighty in prayer, trustworthy, simple and natural, and a man of fine judgment, with a motto which read, "It can be done." Dr. G. C.

Shaw, a lifelong friend of Dr. Savage, made the principal address. Dr. Savage and Dr. Shaw had come to each other's rescue throughout all the years. Dr. Savage has preached the funeral

of Dr. Shaw's father, mother, sisters, and a brother. Dr. Shaw in turn had

preached the funeral of Dr. Savage's two wives. The sermon was taken from Revelation 14:13, "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do

follow them." How are we to die in the Lord? To die in the Lord we must

live in the Lord. Dr. Savage lived in the Lord because he had faith, goodness, mercy, and love. He served constantly and vigorously and was foremost in any move for the betterment of humanity. The church and campus may vanish in a few years, but a character such as Dr. Savage possessed will live on through the ages.

**Dr. E. E. Smith, North Carolina Educator, Dead**

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.—Dr. E. E. Smith, former president of the State Normal School here and a former U. S. Minister to Liberia, died here recently. He was born in Duplin County, N. C., on May 25, 1852.

North Carolina

## RALEIGH, N. C. NEWS OBSERVER

DEC. 13, 1933  
**FAREWELL TO A GENTLEMAN**

No gentler gentleman ever lived in Raleigh than Dr. Aaron Burtis Hunter who came from Pennsylvania nearly half a century ago to devote his life to the education of young Negroes in the St. Augustine School.

Even in the eighties in the South men who came from the North to educate the Negro were still viewed with some slight suspicion by convention of the colored Baptist church. A people who had seen other men with carpet-church bags coming from the North two decades before. Dr. Hunter was the perfect antithesis of those

carpetbagger and a high example of those other northern men who came to the South after the war with only good wishes in their hearts and carried only good wishes away.

Fortunately for Raleigh, however, Dr. Hunter remained. For twenty seven years he was active in making St. Augustine an excellent school for the colored race. After his retirement as its head, he travelled, collected books,

his collection illness.

In 1888 Dr. Smith was appointed minister to Liberia by President Grover Cleveland, serving three years in that post. During the Spanish war he was adjutant of the Third North Carolina Volunteers.

The proper education of his race was his life passion and it was his proud boast that no graduate of his school was ever indicted.

When a boy in Wilmington young Smith walked three miles daily to attend night school. He later studied in Goldsboro and graduated from Shaw University, Raleigh in 1878. He taught school in Wayne county until

coming here in 1883. He was ordained a Baptist preacher in 1879 and later became president of the state

convention of the colored Baptist

Elizabeth City, N. C. Advances

December 7, 1933

### NEGRO EDUCATOR DIES

Fayetteville, Dec. 7.—(P)—Dr. E. E. Smith, founder and president emeritus of the State Normal School for Negroes, former United States minister to Liberia, and long one of the state's most prominent negro educators, died here late last night after a long

illness.

He was born in slavery.

# RITES HELD FOR NOTED EDUCATOR

### NEGRO EDUCATOR DIES AT FAYETTEVILLE

Death of Dr. E. E. Smith  
Ends Record of Remarkable Achievement

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 14.—Educators from the length and breadth of North Carolina gathered here Sunday to pay final tribute to the memory of Dr. E. E. Smith, widely known educator and former Minister to Liberia who died here last Wednesday night after a long illness. He was 81 years old.

Dr. Smith was founder and president-emeritus of the State Normal School and funeral services were held from the auditorium,

after his body had lay in state for hours and hundreds of his friends of both races had passed in review.

Dr. Smith had not only played a pre-eminent part in the founding in North Carolina of a system of training teachers, but he had served as Minister to Liberia under President Cleveland and as Adjutant of the Third N. C. Regiment during the Spanish-American War.

# Dr. E. E. Smith, Educator and Statesman, Dies of Illness

President W. J. Trent of Livingstone College; the Rev. Joel Snyder, pastor of the First Baptist

## Fayetteville Normal Head For Fifty

Years To Day  
June 1933  
By E. A. ARMSTRONG

A Journal and Guide Correspondent

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.—Dr. E. Smith, educator, statesman soldier and churchman, died at his home on the campus of the State Normal School, whose destiny he guided for 50 years, Wednesday, December 9, following an illness of long duration.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 9, at 2 o'clock from the Smith Auditorium which was named for him, with over 2,000 friends, from all walks of life, present to pay their homage to one who had, for so many years, labored with and among them. The Rev. T. H. Dwelle, pastor of the First Baptist Church of the city, and pastor of the deceased, served as master of ceremonies. Invocation was delivered by Prof. W. S. Creecy of Rich Square Institute.

"God's Sentinel" was used as the processional; the Women's and Judge H. L. Cook, chairman quartet of the Normal School sang of the board of trustees of the "One Sweetly Solemn Thought"; Fayetteville State Normal School, the scripture was read by Prof. have endorsed the appeal made to M. W. Williams of Raleigh; "Noalumni of the school and friends Night There," a favorite hymn of the late Dr. E. E. Smith, by the deceased, was sung. The eu-the president of the State Normal logy was given by Rev. Mr. Dwelle, General Alumni Association, E. A. which was followed by a solo, Armstrong, to launch a drive to "I've Done My Work" by Professorerect a monument on the campus Edwin J. Martin.

DR. E. E. SMITH

Special to Journal and Guide  
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.—May-

Church, white, of this city; President F. B. Bluford, A. and T. College; Dean Charles S. Boyer, St. Augustine's College; Dean A. Elder, N. C. College, Durham; and President J. H. Bias, of Elizabeth City State Normal School.

Prof. H. L. Trigg, inspector of North Carolina Negro high schools read the telegrams. "Deep River" was sung. And the closing remarks were given by President J. W. Seabrook of the Normal School.

The Young Women's Glee Club of the E. E. Smith High School sang "Crossing the Bar," with Miss A. L. Palmer directing. "Saved by Grace" was used as the recessional.

The Melvin-Elliott Post No. 202 of the American Legion was in

charge of the ceremonies at the grave.

The energy and thriftiness which were sent from friends of both institution's affairs, was also manifested in the handling of his own races from all parts of the United States. Messrs. J. B. Scott, J. Bonner McRae, A. J. Blackburn, H. A. Black, P. C. Turner, and Ernest Miller served as active pall-bearers.

It was just last July 18 that Dr. Smith relinquished the reins of directing the institution and recommended to the board of trustees as his successor, the then dean of the former Miss Nannie L. Goode; one school, J. Warde Seabrook, who had son, Dr. E. E. Smith, Jr., of New-worked side by side with the port News, Va.; a nephew, thedant for 10 years. Mr. Seabrook since Rev. A. A. Smith, of Kinston, and that time has served as president. Dr. Smith was elected president-emeritus.

Prior to the service, the body lay in state in the school auditorium of the city, he chose to pass his last days on the grounds which he had learned to love over a period of 50 years.

Dr. Smith's passing was the subject of editorial comment in the half century, the grounds over which Fayetteville Observer, white, De-thousands of students had passed, and had been guided by him—theember 7.

Among others attending the services from out of town, were Prof. M. D. Coley, Clinton; Prof. D. M. Jarna, Weldon; Prof. C. M. Epps, Greenville; Prof. C. G. O'Kelly, Durham; Prof. J. F. McCrae, Aberdeen; Prof. W. W. Fuller, and C. E. Lightner, Raleigh.

Prof. D. P. Scurlock, Raeford; Dean F. L. Atkins, Prof. B. A. Bianchi, Prof. Thomas Brown, all of Winston-Salem; the Rev. A. B. Johnson, the Revs. G. W. Moore, O. S. Bullock, Dr. G. E. Davis, Dean John L. Tilley, J. H. Countee, Lieut. L. A. Oxley all of Raleigh; William E. Merritt, Clinton; Prof. F. J. Rogers, Wilmington; Prof. J. T. Turner, and Prof. W. B. Wicker of Sanford.

Dr. Smith a native of Duplin County, was born May 23, 1852. He was educated in the public schools of the state and Shaw University. He is regarded as one of the institution's most representative alumnus, having served for several terms as a member of its board of trustees.

From 1879 to 1883 he served as principal of the graded school of Goldsboro, from which position he was called to head the Fayetteville State Normal School, which he served for over a half century. During this time, he was called to serve his country as U. S. minister and consul general to the Republic of Liberia, under the administration of President Grover Cleveland. During the Spanish-American War, he was major of the Fourth Battalion of North Carolina Guards and adjutant of the Third North Carolina Volunteers. He also served as editor of two newspapers, the Carolina Enterprise and the Baptist Sentinel.

He has also served as president of the State Teachers Association, a member of the executive committee of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools, and treasurer of the State Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

The school has grown by leaps and bounds. More than 8,000 students have enrolled during the years of the school's existence and over 4,000 of them have taught in the 70 counties of the state and other states.

In recognition of the fact that from 1883 until 1929 practically all of the high school education of Negroes in Fayetteville was given under the direction of Dr. Smith, the trustees of the Fayetteville school district named the local public high school

## Plan Monument



DR. E. E. SMITH

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Ohio.

# Veteran Court Crier ~~Opusculum~~ Dies in Cincinnati

## George W. Hays Held Many Public Jobs

CINCINNATI, Ohio, March 3.—George W. Hays, believed by friends to have been the oldest court attache in the United States, died here at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ralph R. Hawkins, 3136 Wehrman Ave. Hays, who had been ill since September, was 85 years old and had served uninterruptedly for 61 years as court crier in the United States district court here.

He was regarded as one of the most prominent residents of this city. Hays also was active in political, fraternal and church affairs. He served three terms in the Ohio legislature as a Hamilton county representative.

### Born a Slave

Hays was born a slave in Louisiana. In 1890 he was appointed a trustee of the Ohio Institute for the blind by Governor James E. Campbell. He was secretary of the board of trustees of this organization for 12 years and was reappointed by Governors McKinley, Bushnell and under General Floyd.

Shortly after 1862 he escaped and joined the Union forces at Fort Negley. He was with Sherman on the famous march to the sea and was honorably discharged at the conclusion of the war in 1865.

He then went to New York city and attended public schools there after working hours. Later he went to Cleveland, where he completed his education in the public schools of that city.

In 1869 Hays joined a surveying party under Colonel Albert which carried on operations in the vicinity of the Brand river in Indian territory.

### Appointed in 1871

In October, 1871, he came to Cincinnati and was appointed crier of the United States district court of this city.

He held this post until the time of his death, serving under Judges George W. Hays Jr., and two grandsons, Howard Taft, Lurton, Stevens, and Virginia Hawkins Day, Thompson, Howard C. Hollister, John Weld Peck, Smith Hickenlooper and Robert R. Nevin, present judges of the United States district court of the Southern district of Ohio.

## FAMOUS WOMAN EDUCATOR DIES IN CLEVELAND

WILBERFORCE, Ohio, July 14.—Mrs. Sarah Beatrice Scarborough, widow of Dr. William S. Scarborough, former president and professor of Wilberforce university, died Sunday in Cleveland, Ohio.

The remains were brought to Wilberforce and the funeral was held Tuesday morning at the home of Mrs. Ada Young, the widow of the late Col. Charles Young, U. S. A. The funeral discourse was delivered by Bishop R. C. Fansom, a former student of the Scarboroughs and an intimate friend for many friends.

In the death of Dr. and Mrs. Scarborough another chapter is closed in the history of Wilberforce university. They were closely associated with Daniel A. Payne, first president of the school, and their articles published in the press and magazines of the country, brought many philanthropists to the aid of the school during the days of the Civil war.

Professor Scarborough was a noted Greek scholar and his Greek textbook, considered one of the best of its kind ever written, is still being used at Yale university.

# HEMORRHAGE IS FATAL TO J. H. LILLEY

*Boley, Okla.*  
Head of State Training for  
Boys at Boley, Okla.  
Dead

BOLEY, Okla.—With the death of James Henry Lilley, head of the State Training School for Boys, which occurred Tuesday, October 28, following a brain hemorrhage a week earlier, the state of Oklahoma lost one of its most distinguished and capable educators.

Death to the 55-year-old superintendent came only two weeks after he had returned from the Mayo Brothers hospital in Rochester, Minn., where it was learned he was a victim of high blood pressure. On his return from the clinic, Mr. Lilley, believing himself well on the road to recovery, constantly told his friends that he soon would be able to resume fully his duties.

His illness had its beginnings more than a year ago when his back was severely wrenched in an automobile accident. It was also said that one of his kidneys had ceased to function.

#### Was Alone

The hemorrhage, followed by paralysis, occurred Tuesday, October 21, while the superintendent was alone in his quarters on the campus.

The night watchman, passing the superintendent's window, noticed that Mr. Lilley was not in bed. Becoming alarmed, he investigated and found the school head underneath the bed, with only one shoe on. Physicians said that apparently when paralysis overcame him, he had tried to stand up but had faltered.

He was attacked by another stroke Friday, October 24, from which time until his death Mr. Lilley was unconscious.

A few days before the final stroke, Superintendent Lilley had called together several of his as-

sistants and said, "Boys, I think you can get along all right here without me." When they answered, "No, we can't", he replied, "Yes, I think you can."

#### A Lawyer

This was the only intimation the superintendent gave of his knowledge of how grave his condition was.

At the time of death, Mr. Lilley's wife and his daughter were in Berkely, Cal. They arrived here immediately after being notified of death.

Under Mr. Lilley's superintendency, the State Training School for Boys was recognized as the best managed state institution in the state. He was a strict disciplinarian and an able business man. Several white superintendents gained their training in managing state institutions from Mr. Lilley.

Besides his ability as an executive, Mr. Lilley was a lawyer.

A graduate of the Boston University Law school, he practiced in Muskogee from 1910 until the time he was made head of the training school. At one time he was in partnership with Adam E. Anderson, of Chicago.

Mr. Lilley was a native of Lancaster, Ohio.

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Oklahoma

# STATE TRAINING SCHOOL HEAD DIES AT BOLEY FOLLOWING TRIP TO MAYO BROS. HOSPITAL

"YOU CAN GET ALONG WITHOUT ME," SUPERINTENDENT TELLS ATTENDANT

## Auto Accident Caused Decline In Health; To Be Buried On Campus

BOLEY, Okla., Nov. 2.—James Henry Lilley, 55, and for seventeen years head of the State Training School for Boys died at 2 p. m. Tuesday in his residence on the Training School campus. The immediate cause of death was hemorrhage of the brain.

### Family Coming

Just Back From Mayo's. Telegrams were immediately sent to Mr. Lilley's wife and daughter in Berkeley, Calif. They will arrive Thursday. The deceased had been ill for more than a year, and three weeks ago secured permission from the state board of affairs to go to Mayo Brothers, Rochester, Minn., for diagnosis of his trouble. He returned last week telling friends he was on the upgrade in health and hoped to be about his work in a few weeks. At Mayo's it was discovered that the deceased was suffering from high blood pressure.

### Born In Ohio

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### Death Beckons

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"No, we can't," was the instant answer.

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### Outstanding Executive

Without question the deceased was one of the best penal heads in the nation. A strict disciplinarian and an excellent business man, under this sort of leadership the Boys' Training School was recognized as the best managed state institution in Oklahoma. This estimate knew no race lines. It is privately known that several white superintendents took their training for state institutions under Mr. Lilley's tutorage.

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Pennsylvania

## Dr. D. W. Ogden Dies After 3 Years' Illness 75 Year Old Physician Practiced in This City Forty Years

Dr. David W. Ogden, who for many years has been a practicing physician in this city, died last Thursday night at his late home, 1430 Lombard st., at the age of 75 years.

Dr. Ogden had been ill for the last three years and had been critically ill for the last two months. He was born in Newark, N. J., and came to Philadelphia when quite a young man.

He had practiced medicine in Philadelphia for more than forty years taking up his practice after he was graduated from Lincoln University and the Medical School at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Ogden had the distinction of being a medical inspector in the Bureau of Health here in this city for more than 6 years.

Funeral services for the late physician were conducted last Monday afternoon from his late home. He was laid out on Sunday evening when hundreds of friends and associates viewed his last remains.

Surviving Dr. Ogden are three nieces, Miss Nellie Ogden, of Neptune City, N. J.; Mrs. M. V. Bush, of Newark, N. J.; and Mrs. Jennie Sands, of Princeton, N. J.; and two nephews, Walter Sands and William Johnson, both of Newark, N. J.

*Kansas City Call*  
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*Kansas City Mo.*  
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## Policeman Passes *Philadelphia Tribune*



*Philadelphia Pa.*

### LUCIUS CARTER

Who was buried last Tuesday. He had been a police officer in this city for more than 22 years. He was attached to the 40th Police District.

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*Kansas City Call*

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## Tribute To Memory Of Late Dr. John A. Savage

*2-4-33*

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—The Rev. John A. Savage, the son of William and Frances Savage of Henderson, ~~North Carolina~~, born September 18, 1857. Just before the outbreak of the Civil War the family was committed and went to Liberia. Later they resided at Sierra Leone, where young Savage was educated. In 1873 he matriculated at Lincoln University and there won his A. B. in 1879. He then took up the theological course which was completed three years later with the S. T. B. degree. On completion of his work at Lincoln, he came South and organized the Shiloh Church at Kingston, N. C. From Kingston he went to Newbern and was head of the State Normal and graded school. In 1895 he went to Louisburg and pastored the Presbyterian Church there. While there he erected a splendid new house of worship at a cost of \$15,000.

In 1892 Dr. Savage took charge of Albion Academy at Franklinton, N. C., which now ranks among the outstanding Negro high schools of the state.

While perhaps Dr. Savage is more frequently named as an educator, he had a fruitful ministry and was much beloved as a pastor, preacher and church builder. The Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church, one of the most modern and beautiful structures among the Negro Presbyterian Churches of the South, the dormitories, the dining hall and other buildings on the campus of the Albion Academy, all stand as monuments to his untiring labors in the field of educational and religious development.

In 1879 he was married to Miss Melvina Baldwin, who bore him four children: John A. Savage jr., Carrie Savage Hawkins, Mary Savage (Ramey) and Frank J. Savage. In 1896 Mrs. Savage died and fourteen years later he was married the second time to Miss Mary Dover of Wilmington, Del.

Dr. Savage held several prominent positions in the church and was a member of the national staff of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. For a number of years he was stated clerk of the Cape Fear Presbytery, stated clerk of the Catawba Synod and chairman of the church and field activities of the Synod of Catawba.

Up until the time of his passing, God, in His mercy and love—thus January 1, 1933, Dr. Savage's entire life had been of usefulness, characterized by simplicity, humbleness and had lived so many years in the perseverance. The funeral service

was conducted from Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church, Wednesday, January 4, at 2 p. m. Two hours previously the remains had been moved of the three Presbyterian churches at Louisburg, Wake Forest and Franklinton. The honorary pall-bearers passed to view and pay the last tribute of others.

The last rites were performed by the elders

of the three Presbyterian churches at

Louisburg, Wake Forest and Frank-

linhton. The honorary pall-bearers

included the ministers participating

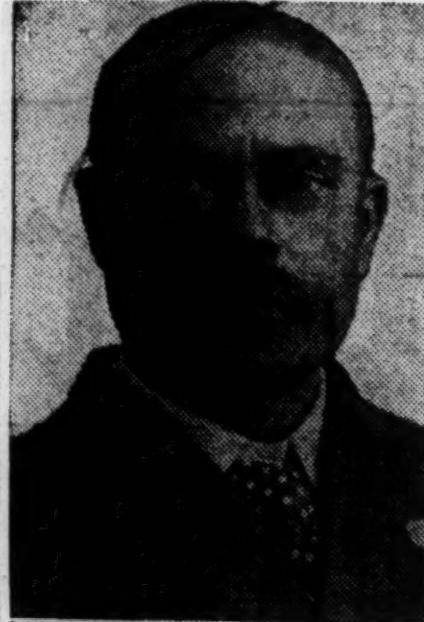
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Floral tributes were numerous ex-

pressions of the deep regard in which

he was held.

He leaves to mourn his loss, four children, four grand children, John Savage, III, Otis, Virginia and Jas. Hawkins; three nephews and one niece; two foster daughters, Lelia Ramseur and Irene Gray and a host of friends.



LATE DR. SAVAGE



THE LATE DR. F. H. COIT  
*Christian Leader*

Missionary Secretary of the M. E. Church 1925 to  
1933. Born in South Carolina, March 9, 1863. Died  
Rev. C. J. Baker of Danville, Va.; in New York, April 7, 1933.

bute to one whom they had loved.

The order of service was arranged by Dr. G. C. Shaw of Oxford, N. C. Invocation, the Rev. H. T. McFadden; scripture reading, the Rev. J. P. Mangrum; quartet selection on "Nearer My God to Thee;" resolution, the Rev. C. J. Baker of Danville, Va.; solo, "A Day Without a Cloud," Miss Annie G. Person of Franklinton, N. C.; tributes were paid by the following:

Dr. J. M. Gaston, secretary of the Board of Missions among Colored People, Pittsburgh; Dr. L. L. Downing, Roanoke, Va.; Dr. Clarence Dilard, Goldsboro, N. C.; Dr. J. A. Cotton, Henderson, N. C.; Dr. H. L. McCrorey, president of Johnson C. Smith University; Dr. Thomas A. Long of Johnson C. Smith University and S. H. Vick, Wilson, N. C.

The eulogy was delivered by Dr. G. C. Shaw of Oxford, N. C., a lifelong friend of the deceased. From the text, Rev. 14:13, "And I heard a voice from heaven say write: Blessed are those that die in the Lord," he depicted the life of Dr. Savage and his beliefs in God, in the goodness of

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Tennessee

# REV. SUTTON E. GRIGGS, A. M., D. D., PASSES AWAY

**Noted Pastor, Author, Lecturer and National Character Buried With Impressive Ceremonies Wednesday**

Information reached Nashville books had a wide circulation and Wednesday noon that the Rev. Sutton E. Griggs, D. D., had passed into the great beyond at Houston, Texas on January 2nd. Only meager details of his death and funeral were received here.

The Rev. Mr. Griggs was well known throughout the nation. Although a native Texan, born in the Lone Star State, he attained a national reputation because of his ability as a preacher, an orator and a writer. He was the son of the late Rev. A. R. Griggs, a pioneer minister who was a factor in the National Baptist Convention during the life of the late Drs. R. H. Boyd, E. C. Morris, L. M. Luke, G. W. Lee, E. K. Love and a host of others.

Dr. Sutton Griggs was a graduate of Bishop College at Marshall, Texas, where he began his public career. Later on he moved to Virginia and attended the Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, and pastored a church at Manchester just across from Richmond. It was in the Old Dominion State that he produced his first volume as a writer. The name of the publication—**MEMPHIS, TENN.**

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## Sutton E. Griggs

The South has lost a clear thinker, an eloquent orator and a good citizen. The name of the publication—**Sutton E. Griggs, negro minister and educator.**

Dr. Griggs died suddenly in Hous- ing Virginia he came to Nashville on Monday night while on a lecture and took charge as pastor of the First Baptist Church on the eas- side, succeeding the late Dr. Ven- erable. He pastored in Nashville for a number of years. He was elected as a member of the National Baptist Publishing Board and served until 1905 or 1906.

During his stay here he organized the Orion Publishing Company, the Human Brotherhood Society, and appealed.

His ideas and his plan have been published "The Hindered Hand," "Un- fettered," "Overshadowed." His the country. He has been hailed as the greatest scholar of his race.

Dr. Griggs made Memphis his second. Because of this, the Negroes have not accomplished their headquarters for years, and he won the respect and praise of the best people of both races.

But because he preached that goodwill is a greater weapon than the ballot—because he exposed and opposed the treachery of Beale Street politicians—he was finally driven into "exile."

The cause of race harmony has been dealt a heavy blow, but we feel sure Sutton E. Griggs' good work will live on—and grow with the years. It was built on rock.

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**NASHVILLE, TENN.**  
**EVE. TENNESSEAN**

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**A COLORED LEADER**

To the Editor:

In the passing of Dr. William Fielding Waters the colored race suffered an irreparable loss.

It is a sad fact that the colored race often does not appreciate its real friends and those who are broad enough, like Dr. W. F. Waters, to have love for all races and prejudice against none.

Dr. Waters was a man of many talents—a smooth, logical and effective writer, having been a contributor to The Tennesseean, The Banner, The Chicago Tribune, The Southwestern Christian Advocate and various other important papers; he was a poet of high rank—as illustrated by the poem below, which this writer recited at his grave. He was by long odds a master mind among the ministers of the M. E. Church of Tennessee, and as a physician he stood flat-footed at a height that many in the profession could not reach by tip-toeing. His passing leaves a void.

Dr. Waters' last poem follows:

### HIS LAST REQUEST

Lay me beneath some leafy bower,  
Where the glad stars look down;  
But bring no fast-decaying flowers,  
Nor wreaths that sere and brown.

Dig me a grave deep in the gravel,  
And lay me there to sleep.  
Beside the road that all must travel,  
To which all pilgrims keep.

Lay me where clouds build o'er  
their towers  
Out of which look the moon:  
And the night-winds the livelong  
hours  
Softly their love songs croon:

Where the wild birds chant music  
ever,  
Melodies deep and dear,  
And the mad world shall wake me  
never.  
Nor the foul foe come near.

Plant at my head the peaceful  
poppy,  
Symbol of sleep so sweet!  
And mark the mound with ivy  
happy.  
And violets at my feet.

Let Nature wreath for me a floral  
Of grass and vine and tree,  
Wherein is heard the oaten choral  
Of wind and bird and bee.

Fain would I, such a fair plot  
taken.  
Silent or short or long  
Lie down to sleep—till I shall  
waken—  
To deeper, sweeter song.

W. W. SUMLIN, M. D.

# NEGRO PREACHER, EDUCATOR DIES

Former Member of Ala-  
bama Assembly Suc-

cums Here.

The Rev. George Wesley Allen, 77, a minister in the African Methodist Church, the founder of what is now Tuskegee Institute, and one of the few negroes who had been a member of the legislature of Alabama died at 4 o'clock this morning at his home, 1404 South Street.

Born In Alabama.

The Rev. Allen was born in Alabama and for thirty-two years worked there to aid the education of his race. He put through the bill to found the school that is now Tuskegee Institute while he was in the Alabama legislature in the 1880's, and after the school was founded he sent to Virginia for Booker T. Washington, who became its head.

For a number of years he was the editor and manager here of the Southern Christian Recorder, one of the official organs of his church. In 1921 he was a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference in London, England. He had lived in Nashville since 1918.

#### Six Sons Survive.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Phoebe H. Allen; six sons, Dr. G. A. Allen of Boston, James L. Allen of Cleveland, John S. Allen of Atlanta, the Rev. A. J. Allen of Cleveland, N. B. Allen of Columbus and Dr. M. A. Allen of Buffalo; and one daughter, Mrs. Bertha A. Jackson of Nashville.

Funeral services will be conducted from the St. Paul A. M. E. Church here at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon by Bishop H. J. Greggs. Burial will be in the family lot in Columbus, Ohio.

Nashville, Tenn. Banner

October 18, 1933

## A PICTURESQUE FIGURE

Nashville lost one of its worthy and esteemed Negro residents in the recent death of Willis Banks, formerly headwaiter at the Maxwell House. For twenty years or so Banks ushered that famous hotel's guests to their seats in the dining room and supervised the serving of them. In filling his position, he combined dignity and tact with service and made himself a very important part of the picture presented by the great dining room of the Maxwell thirty years ago.

Banks had a speaking acquaintance with all of Nashville's great folk who patronized the Maxwell's unsurpassed dining room and an even larger acquaintance among distinguished traveling folk. Serving them was a matter of professional pride and personal interest with him, and he did it well. In the dining room his manner was that of a Chesterfield. Thousands of former patrons of Nashville's historic hotel will regret to hear of his passing.

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Dr. Griggs urged a different system of education for Negroes. He said leaders of the race must demand the sort of education that would develop the individualistic traits and make for Negroes their proper place in the nation's life. Co-operation with the white men is necessary to accomplish this end.

It is a new idea, and, therefore, deserves all the more attention from thinking leaders of both races. Unfortunately, Dr. Griggs' idea had

not yet been tried out anywhere. The untimely death of this great minister, orator and educator was a loss to the South and to the nation.

## ~~Death Takes Old Negro Honored by Texas Capital~~

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 7.—(P) Bob Harrison, aged negro barber, who was so well liked by the white folks that the Austin city council named a street in his honor, died here today. He was 78.

Harrison was the favorite barber of Governor Hogg and Colonel E. M. House and had performed his tonsorial duties on many Texas notables. Included among his customers was former Postmaster-General Albert S. Burleson.

As a tribute to the old negro, the council designated one of Austin's streets as "Bob Harrison street," two years ago.

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Virginia

## Mary Browne Smith Buried From Bethel

A. M. E. Church

Richmond, Va.

Della Sharp and Lula Fergusson survived by a widow, Harriet and five nephews, Chester, Charles Gibbs Marshall. He was 57 years old, a graduate of Harvard and a lawyer.

Funeral services were held over the remains of Mrs. Browne Smith in the historic Third Street Church of which she had been a member for nearly a half century, with the

Mary Brown Smith, widow of the late William Washington Browne, founder and genius of the Grand Fountain United Order of True Reformers, is dead. The end came peacefully on Sunday night, January 15, at 8:55 P. M., after a long illness in her home on West Jackson Street, which had also been the home in its infancy of the first bank controlled by Negroes in the United States of America.

Mrs. Browne Smith was the last remaining link in the chain which the chancel rail was the grand masterpiece connecting the past grandeur of the Order of the True Reformers, and resonant organization to the vicissitudes of the present era. Her passing was read by Mrs. Lizzie Standawakes memories of the early '80's and '90's when her distinguished husband was the undisputed sovereign of the business, fraternal and other ministers in attendance community life of Negro Richmond and participating in the services and she was his queen.

were Rev. Jenkins, Watkins and S.

The former Mary Graham became C. Burrell, the bride of the then struggling Browne who had himself thrown off the chains of slavery and become two other relatives, Maryin Chris-tian soldier, pioneer, crusader and Edward Sharp. The honor-preacher and reformer. The wed-ary pallbearers were Messrs J. J. Thompson and Frank Davis, Mr. A. of Piedmont in 1873, and for a quarter of a century the woman followed arrangements and the interment of the sun of her famed husband from was made in Woodland Cemetery in its first appearance on the horizon the lot above which towers a monument through its ascendancy until it finally set in the city of Washington in 1897. Around the death bed of the failing chief were his faithful comrades, the wife of his youth, and S. W. Rutherford, his nurse, who afterwards became the president of another giant Negro organization which came to grief.

## War Hero Buried With High Honor at Arlington, Va.

Mrs. Browne Smith saw the empire built by her husband spread its influence over the length and breadth of this country. As dowager queen, she witnessed the deluge which tore it asunder. However, never entirely erased the impressions of the grandeur, destiny decreed she would share with her consort and she acted the role of queen until the end.

In 1900 Mary Browne married Dr. W. H. Smith, and in the course of things Smith was added to the name of her late distinguished husband. Her second husband survives her along with a brother, Martin J. Graham; a sister, Lunnie Ellington; four nieces, Bessie Hunt, Ella Sharp

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Capt. Napoleon Bonaparte Marshall of the old 15th Regiment, New York National guard, was buried Friday in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va. He died in the veterans' hospital, Bronx, of bullet wounds received in the World war.

He was cited for gallantry in action. His body was laid state in the armory of the 369th Infantry, the name given the 15th, a regiment, during the latter part of the World war. Captain Marshall, who lived at 205 W. 135th St., is